AUTO-LITE
SPARK PLUGS
for Motoring Pleasure
MOTOR SERVICE LTD.

THE JERUSALEM POST

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1954

PRICE: 90 PRUTA
VOL. XXX, No. 7781

KUPAT-AM BANK
ESTABLISHED 1919
The people's Bank
TEL-AVIV · JERUSALEM · HAIFA

Column One
BY David Courtney

THERE have been courteous manners, and some amity in Berlin. What does this mean? The four Foreign Ministers seem unafraid of the German question, which is to come up at once, and Mr. Molotov's preliminary attitude to Mr. Eden's five proposals is "encouraging." The Russian, as is his right, has a plan of his own which he thinks better than that of Mr. Eden; and perhaps Mr. Eden's attitude to it will be "encouraging" also. So much goodwill is surely alarming. If, as most commentators said, Mr. Molotov went to Berlin merely to cause as much embarrassment to the West as he could, and if, as some other commentators stated, Mr. Dulles went there merely to upset any propaganda apple-cart the Soviet-costers might be pushing Westwards, then both have gone about it in a funny way.

●

WE are, of course, only at the beginning. There is plenty of time for the defeatists to be proved right. Mr. Molotov's split hooves are easily concealed inside his polished shoes and in these days his horns are probably detachable. Even Mr. Dulles, who recently seems to have become more Secretary of State and less Republican foreign policy exponent, may be fooling us. But those of us who are simple-minded enough to go on hoping, will, perhaps, be forgiven for taking the evidence of the past week as promising. It may not mean an ideal German settlement or any settlement worthy of the name. But it may mean that both sides genuinely want a settlement, or at any rate, genuinely want some kind of understanding, or, at the very least, genuinely do not want a situation that may lead to war.

●

THE difficulty is to know whether the Foreign Ministers mean the same thing when they use the same words. When one nation talks about security, its neighbour may tremble at the sound. Even the word civilization means different things to different peoples, to the point, perhaps, where what M. Bidault wants to defend is not exactly what Mr. Dulles wants to defend, let alone what Mr. Molotov feels should be made secure. These differing conceptions and standards represent the chief weakness of Berlin rather than the malice or mischief-making propensities of one side or the other. But they probably open the way to what some may call mischief; that is to say, to the exploitation of such differences as may exist, for example, between the French idea of what should be defended and how, and the American idea. It is a difference that can be exploited by others in addition to Mr. Molotov. Some of the West German leaders are even more adroit at the game than the Soviet Foreign Minister.

●

ALTHOUGH M. Bidault has seemed loyally to have followed the Dulles-Eden line at Berlin, it is still the difference between French conceptions and those of the other Western Powers that lends itself to exploitation by the Soviet on the one hand and by West Germany on the other. Behind M. Bidault is an uncertain Government and a public opinion that is beginning to talk, with Beuve-Mery, of a European solution which would "combine NATO and the Franco-Soviet pact." Even circles approving E.D.C. because, in their view, it means 12 legal German divisions instead of 40 illegal German divisions are beginning to ask whether French security would not be better served by closer Franco-Soviet relations than by E.D.C. M. Bidault himself will be shaken in his E.D.C. faith if, at Berlin, no way can be found of reconciling controlled German rearmament with friendly Franco-Soviet relations. The question arises, therefore, and is being asked in London as well as in Paris: if E.D.C. is the cause of all the trouble between the two opposing blocks, and also within the Western block, should it not be taken to pieces and put together again in a shape more agreeable to everyone concerned, including perhaps even France and Soviet Russia?! Even Mr. Dulles is believed to have admitted the force of the question.

Jerusalem, February 1.

Byroade: U.S. To Ensure Existence Of Israel

NEW YORK, Sunday (UP). — Assistant Secretary of State Henry Byroade last night pledged that the U.S. will ensure Israel's existence as a State.

He told a meeting of the American Jewish Committee: "Israel as a State is here to stay — and the U.S. is here to help ensure that existence."

Newsmen sent a note to the Speaker's stand asking Mr. Byroade if his remark could be interpreted as a reply to a recent declaration by the King of Saudi Arabia that Israel is a "cancer" and that 10 million Arabs should be sacrificed to wipe it off the map. Mr. Byroade penciled a one-word reply, "Yes."

He said in his speech that the U.S. is making every effort to maintain peace in the Middle East and enjoy favourable relations with all countries there.

He added that a third party which gets involved in a dispute is generally unpopular with both sides, but that the differences between Israelis and Arabs must be settled because they weaken the non-Communist world.

"I don't consider success to be unattainable in reaching our objective of peace and security in the Middle East," he concluded.

Arabs Won't Use US Arms For Democracy—Wagner

NEW YORK, Sunday (INA). — Mayor Robert F. Wagner at a dinner of the Jewish National Fund in Brooklyn tonight, speaking about the proposed shipment of American arms to Arab States, declared that "it is completely inconceivable that these arms would be used by the Arabs in defence of democratic concepts," and not for aggression against Israel.

"Shipment of arms to the Arabs," the Mayor said, "can result in only one thing, the complete undermining of any attempt to achieve permanent peace."

LEGION VIOLATES MT. SCOPUS AREA

A group of 12 Arab Legion officers was seen on Thursday patrolling in the area of Augusta Victoria hospital on Mt. Scopus, it has been announced. This constitutes a breach of the Armistice Agreement which forbids armed forces from entering the demilitarized zone.

Automatic and rifle fire from the Gaza strip was opened on Thursday on an Israel unit patrolling the border, it was also announced.

10 CLASHES IN WEEK

During the week ending January 28, there were 10 clashes between armed infiltrators and the Security Forces. One infiltrator was killed and two were arrested.

In the same period, infiltrators entered Israel on three occasions for land tilling and for grazing their herds; there also were nine thefts of irrigation pipes and draught animals.

BITTER FIGHTING IN INDO-CHINA

PARIS, Sunday (Reuter). — Bitter fighting is raging in the southern tip of the Tonking delta, according to latest reports reaching here.

Military circles in Hanoi believe that French operations will be intensified in this sector in the coming weeks.

In the Phat Diem sector 75 miles from Hanoi, two Vietnam national army battalions are reported to have foiled an ambush, killing 24 Vietminh troops.

Another battle, which cost the Vietminh 50 dead, was fought in an area of Vietminh infiltration between Phuy and Nam Binh, about 35 miles south-east of Hanoi.

The French Command said today that 38 small outposts and lookout towers in southern Vietnam have fallen to the Vietminh since January 28 due to desertion by Vietnamese garrisons. These small locally recruited garrisons are said to have been influenced by intense Communist propaganda.

Civil Servant Pay Rise Approved by Cabinet

Increases in the basic salary of civil servants, ranging from IL.3 to IL.110 per month, were approved by the Cabinet at yesterday's session, Mr. David Rosolio, Civil Service Commissioner, announced after the session. The increases are retroactive to October 1953.

NEW SCALE

The 27,105 civil servants will receive monthly basic salaries as follows (retroactive to October 1, 1953).

Grade	New Basic Salary	Former Basic Salary
I	IL.320	IL.150
II	225	139
III	195	129
IV	170	120
V	148	113
VI	113 plus IL.5*	104
VII	104 " 5*	97
VIII	95 " 5*	90
IX	88 " 5*	84
X	81	78
XI	78	73
XII	71.5	68
XIII	67	64
XIV	64.5	61
XV	60	57

XVI & XVII—abolished.
* (seniority pay)

Consequently, an official, married and with one child, at Grade II will receive about IL.335. Grade XV will receive about IL.160, with two years seniority.

Embodied in an agreement between the Commission and the Civil Servants' Union, they were applied according to two basic principles, Mr. Rosolio said. The first was to equalise pay to all public servants, whether in municipal or State employ. Accordingly, the wage scale of municipal employees in the three largest cities was taken as a base.

The second principle was to bear in mind the demands of senior officials. Accordingly, the gap between the lowest and highest salary is now two to one, in place of 1.3 to one.

A spokesman for the senior civil servants group told *The Jerusalem Post* last night that they are dissatisfied with the decision, which still allows "experts" higher rates of pay than executive officials. The spokesman stressed that they consider this a matter of principle.

Retroactivity Criticised

Dissatisfaction was also expressed concerning the date to which the new rates are retroactive. The senior officials had requested that the change be effective as from January, 1953, the Government, however, set the date at October 1, 1953.

Civil Servants' Union leaders told *The Jerusalem Post* in Tel Aviv last night that although the Government decision does not fulfil all their original demands, the Union would accept the decision "with patience," on condition that a committee be appointed to investigate the true grading and the real status of civil servants, which even the new arrangement does not reflect.

Mr. Rosolio announced that the pay rise is temporary, and that the Commission would thoroughly check grading, division of tasks and responsibility of Government employees. The committee will compare these findings with the situation in municipalities and "important public institutions," to reach a system of grading and rates based upon "efficiency and social justice."

New System

The Commission is to implement a new system by April, 1955, if necessary with the aid of a Ministerial Committee.

Meanwhile, no new salary demands will be considered, and the "Government will take steps," he said, "to prevent rises in salaries of municipal employees during this period."

In reply to a question, he explained that this could be done through withholding grants to municipalities.

The total additional Government expenditure for the increases will be IL.14m. from October to March, and from April 1, the new budget will include an additional IL.2.8m., a total of IL.4.2. These figures do not take into account the cost-of-living bonuses.

Army rates of pay may reflect the new grading, while teachers and social workers may also be considered for adjustments in salary scales, it was indicated.

Gov't Airs Budget, Foreign Affairs

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Cabinet held two sessions in Jerusalem yesterday to cover a weighty agenda which included foreign developments, the new budget estimates, civil servants' salaries, and Jerusalem municipal problems.

The Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Moshe Sharett, reported on matters concerning the B'not Ya'akov development project, the Egyptian interference with shipping in the Suez Canal and Gulf of Eilat, and on the Syrian disturbances.

This morning, the Ministerial Committee on Foreign Affairs and Security, headed by the Prime Minister, will meet in the Capital to consider these problems, it was learned.

The discussion on Ordinary Budget estimates of revenue and expenditure, and Development Budget income continued. The entire morning session was devoted to the estimates.

The Jerusalem Post learned that the Finance Ministry's "budget brain trust" held a special meeting after the session, and the budget is again to be brought before the Economic Ministers' Committee, probably tomorrow.

Ministers Co-opted

The Ministers of Defence, Interior and Health (Messrs. P. Lavon, I. Rokach and J. Serlin, respectively), were co-opted to the Committee, which will hold sessions throughout the week. The Budget will again appear on next week's Cabinet session agenda, with every effort being made to adhere to the Law which obliges the Government to table the Budget in the Knesset by mid-February.

The Ministerial Committee on Interior Affairs reported to the Cabinet on its decisions regarding the Jerusalem Municipality. Although the entire report, including proposals regarding Jerusalem's high electricity and water rates, will be considered at a future session, the Cabinet approved one part, which would make Government and the National Institutions liable to Municipal rates. The decision, essentially concerning Jerusalem, will also apply to all cities declared "immigrants' cities," such as Lydda, Beersheba and Bet She'an.

It was decided to include the Minister without Portfolio, Mr. Zalman Aranne, in the Ministerial Committee on Interior Affairs and Services. Mr. Aranne

(Continued on Page 2, — Col. 1)

EXCISE TAX ON HADERA PAPER

Excise tax is to be levied on paper manufactured at the American Israel Paper Mills in Hadera in the coming budget year, *The Jerusalem Post* learned last night.

Meanwhile, in order to cover customs revenue lost since the beginning of local paper production, a selective sales tax of six per cent is being exacted on the factory price of local newsprint and 15% on kraft paper. (Customs revenue on imported paper is about IL.1m. per year).

However, kraft paper used in bags for cement and fertiliser is tax-free, it was learned, as is paper for export.

Locally produced newsprint is used by all Israel newspapers now. Production is at present five tons a day but will reach 50 tons when additional machine parts arrive from abroad.

Ministers Worried By Bus Fare Rise

The Economic Ministers' Committee discussed the proposed rise in bus fares at its session in Jerusalem, following yesterday's Cabinet meetings. It considered Mr. Rokach's proposal to demand special workers' fares.

The Committee spokesman stated that no decisions had been reached, and a further meeting is to be held tomorrow.

The Jerusalem Post learned last night that considerable opposition was expressed to the rise in bus fares. The Committee as a whole is concerned over the one-point rise in the cost-of-living index should the approximately 15% rise in fares be permitted.

The Committee also discussed the Popular Housing Scheme.

Second Round Of Big Four Talks Opening Today

BERLIN, Sunday (Reuter). — European problems will dominate the second week of the Foreign Ministers' conference opening in the Soviet Embassy here tomorrow.

The course is now set for a full debate on the German problem, which the Western powers regard as the main purpose of the meeting. But there will also be at least one secret session of the Ministers, with only their closest advisers present, devoted to Asian questions and world disarmament.

The Western Ministers hope to arrange negotiations on the Austrian question concurrently with those on Germany, though on the agenda the Austrian state treaty is the third item. The Austrian question is without doubt the easiest to solve of all the problems before the Ministers.

5-Power Question

The Austrian question apart, the biggest area of potential agreement could be the Soviet demand for a meeting with the People's Republic of China. The Western powers have set themselves irrevocably against Mr. Molotov's proposal for a five-power conference to discuss all the world's political, economic and military problems.

But they are ready to talk to China about Asiatic problems provided that there is clear agreement on the problems to be discussed and on condition that other interested nations are invited to take part.

France's anxiety to end her war against the Communist-led Vietminh in Indo-China makes her the keenest of the three to arrange such a meeting. If M. Georges Bidault, the French Foreign Minister, were to return to Paris after rejecting what could be interpreted by his political opponents as a reasonable Russian offer to arrange talks on the Indo-China problem, it could also seriously affect the National Assembly's attitude to his European policy. This is already under heavy fire from the critics of the European Army plan in which West Germany is scheduled to re-arm.

Goldmann Defends WJC Before British Jewry

LONDON, Sunday. — A national conference of British Jews today called for "reversal of the re-arming" of any part of Germany and an end to the "glorification" of former Nazi party and military leaders.

The 250 delegates at the resumed eighth biennial national conference of the British Section of the World Jewish Congress in a resolution also called for the restitution of property and compensation for losses to the victims of Nazi persecution from the whole country.

Dr. Goldmann made a two-hour flying visit here from Paris this morning to make an impassioned plea at the conference for an end to the petty squabbles within British Jewry on the role of the W.J.C.

He said that he did not understand the fear of some spokesmen of the Board of Deputies that the W.J.C. is trying to undermine their authority. The W.J.C. is always prepared to co-operate with the Board, but it would not accept the view that it has no right to approach the Jewish community or the British Government on behalf of the W.J.C. as such, he declared.

(Reuter, INA)

Rumania Revalues Currency Upward

LONDON, Sunday (Reuter). — Rumania today revalued her currency to almost double its previous value in terms of the new rubel Bucharest Radio reported.

The radio broadcast an official announcement stating that the gold content of the lei was being almost doubled and the new rate of exchange would be 1.5 leis to the rubel instead of 2.8.

Rates of exchange with other foreign currencies have yet to be fixed.

BLOCH'S DEATH DUE TO HEART FAILURE

NEW YORK, Sunday (Reuter). —An autopsy today confirmed that a heart attack had caused the death of Emanuel Bloch, lawyer for the executed atom spies Julius and Ethel Rosenberg.

Bloch, 52, was found dead in his home in New York yesterday.

NARRIMAN DENIES MARRIAGE REPORTS

CAIRO, Sunday (UP).—Former Queen Narriman of Egypt today denounced as a "lie wholly without foundation" reports that she would marry an Egyptian movie crooner.

El Atrash, the crooner said today he hoped that he would marry "a respectable lady with qualities like those of Narriman."

60 Army Officers Said Arrested by Shishakly

The situation in Syria continued shrouded in mystery yesterday, the fifth day of martial law throughout the country, as tension remained at a peak, according to Arab broadcasting stations and the Jordan Press.

Arrest of Atrash Irks Local Druze

The local Druze community has been thrown into a ferment by Syria's recent arrest of a foremost Druze leader, Sultan Pasha Atrash, and other military action against residents of Jebel Druze, Sheikh Saleh Hassan Khneifes, M.K., told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday.

At five meetings held in various Druze villages in Israel over the weekend, resolutions were adopted calling upon Sheikh Khneifes and Sheikh Jaber Moa'di, M.K., to contact the proper Government officials to clarify the situation and to discuss possible diplomatic action. The meetings were held at Isfiya and Daliyat, on Mt. Carmel, and at Bet Jann, Yirka and Julis, in Galilee.

Many speakers called on the Israel Government to arm "Druze youth so that they can march to the aid of their brethren."

Meet Sharett Today

The two Druze leaders are to meet Prime Minister Moshe Sharett at noon today in Jerusalem, and the situation may be discussed by the Knesset this afternoon.

It is also learned from Israel Druze notables that it is proposed to call on foreign diplomatic missions in Israel particularly those of the U.S., Britain and France to ask for intervention on behalf of the inhabitants of Jebel Druze who are being subjected to "rigorous and ruthless persecution."

The atmosphere in all the villages was tense today, and residents stayed by their radios, waiting for news from Syria, where many of them have close relatives.

(The Druze community is scattered throughout the Middle East, but is centred in Syria. Israel has 17,000 Druze living in 18 villages. During the War of Liberation, the Druze took up arms to aid Israel, and there is a Druze unit in the Army.)

Jordan Wants Yarmuk Scheme Implemented

Jordan Premier Fawzi Mulki told the Near East Arab Broadcasting Station yesterday that the Jordan Government had made it clear to the American diplomats who had just met in Amman for two days that Jordan insists on the speedy implementation of the Yarmuk River irrigation scheme, without waiting for developments on the Johnston plan for the development of the Jordan River.

NEABS has also learned that a Jordan-Syria-Lebanon technical delegation will visit all the Arab areas covered by the Johnston scheme in order to prepare a project for the exclusive exploitation of the Arab countries.

"Falastin," Old City daily, reports that rebelling Druze units have occupied all Government offices in their mountain stronghold, and that 60 senior army officers have been arrested in various parts of the country. They are charged with opposing the regime of President Adib Shishakly.

University students reportedly distributed large quantities of leaflets in the main Syrian towns demanding that Shishakly be deposed.

Lawyers' Warning

The Syrian Bar Association, following its one-day protest strike on Saturday, warned the Government that unless all detained lawyers are released immediately they will declare a general strike.

Arrests reportedly are continuing and include leaders of the Socialist el Ba'ath (Revival) Party. Among them are a number of Damascus lawyers.

Official circles quoted by NEABS charged that the detainees maintained relations with foreign powers which want to depose Shishakly, and with having contacted Syrian army officers with the intention of staging a new coup.

In spite of the severe censorship, most Damascus papers ran full details of the latest events on their front pages yesterday. They also reported that demonstrators had assembled in front of the home of Mukram Attasi, newly appointed Minister of Agriculture, demanding his immediate resignation and charging him with treason for having accepted a post under Shishakly.

Minister to Amman

Syrian Minister of the Interior Abdul Rahman Huneidi arrived unexpectedly in Amman yesterday on a special plane. He was immediately received by Premier Fawzi Mulki, who accompanied him to a lengthy audience with King Hussein. The Syrian Minister returned to Damascus yesterday evening.

Although no official statement was made on the nature of the visit, ANA understands that it was connected with the situations in Syria and Syria's request that Jordan closely supervise its Syrian border to prevent any aid from reaching the rebellious Syrian Druze.

19 British Children Drowned Playing on Ice

LONDON, Sunday (Reuter).—Nineteen British children drowned yesterday while playing on the frozen canals and ponds of Lancashire—the English county worst hit by the continuing severe cold wave. Four of them were brothers.

A father died trying to save his son, who was finally rescued by another man. A 21st victim was a boy in the neighbouring county of Yorkshire.

PROGRESSIVES VOTE TO RETURN

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Monday, 12.45 a.m. —The Progressive Party Executive decided here late last night that the Party should re-enter the Government. The vote was ten against eight.

It was noticed that Mr. P. Rosen, M.K. and Mr. I. Harari, M.K. were absent from the meeting. It is understood that Dr. Y. Foerder, M.K. who presided at the meeting, and Mr. Idov Cohen, M.K. voted for joining the Government.

The Executive decided unanimously to ask Mr. Rosen, Minister of Justice in the previous Government, to represent the Party in the Cabinet.

The decision to rejoin was made possible by a letter from the Prime Minister assuring the Progressives that the proposal to limit Knesset representation to Parties polling more than a certain proportion of the popular vote, would not be raised before the Knesset's summer session, in mid-May.

Some members of the Executive held that this delay implies that the proposal may be withheld from the Knesset indefinitely. The Party reserved the right to withdraw from the Government should the proposal be approved by the Cabinet.

It was stated that the Progressive Party will be free within the Cabinet to vote according to its conscience on all matters covered by the coalition agreements between Mapai, the General Zionists and the religious parties.

Iraq Wants Diversion Of Haifa Pipeline

The Iraqi Government has officially approached the Iraq Petroleum Company with a request that the Kirkuk-Haifa pipeline be diverted to a southern Lebanese port. The Israel portion of the pipeline has been out of use since the War of Liberation.

The object of the plan is to resume the flow of crude oil in that direction and thus enable Iraq to sell 7.5 million more tons of crude oil a year.

The I.P.C. reportedly has approved the proposal in principle and has asked for the approval of the Lebanon and Syria, through whose territory the new pipeline would run.

The diversion is to begin at Mafrak, in central Jordan. Eighty miles of new lines would lead to Syria, and from there another 25 miles to southern Lebanon. It is not yet known whether the pipes in Israel territory will be dismantled.

It is understood that the I.P.C. has demanded that Syria and the Lebanon waive their demands for higher royalties for permitting the present flow of oil through their territories as a first condition for the installation of the new line in the two countries.

Cominform Paper Woos Belgrade, But Lashes 'Titoite Demagogy'

MOSCOW, Sunday (Reuter). — The Cominform newspaper today said that Yugoslavia would achieve "national regeneration" if she restored "fraternal bonds with the peoples of the camp of peace and democracy."

The Cominform journal, "For a Lasting Peace, For People's Democracy," said "The sole correct way" to ensure Yugoslavia's national sovereignty and independence is to end her present military commitments and return "to a policy of peace and cooperation on the principle of equality with all Democratic countries."

While diplomatic observers here noted the unusual tone of this article and the apparent invitation to Yugoslavia to return to the Cominform fold, it was obvious from the three-column treatise that there is no disposition on the Cominform side to welcome Marshal Tito as leader of a prodigal Yugoslavia.

The journal, published in Bucharest, while saying Yugoslavia's great hope is to return to the Cominform, spoke of "a typical Titoite demagogy" and "the anti-people's policy of the Belgrade rulers who have brought the country to the brink of national catastrophe."

The article was couched in terms which suggested to Western observers that while the Russians might hope for a rapprochement with Yugoslavia, they were unlikely to accept Marshal Tito.

The journal said that "economic enslavement of the Yugoslav working people is accompanied by an increasing whittling away of political rights," that the internal and foreign policies of the Belgrade Government are "in a blind alley" and that the situation in the League of Communists "and among the ruling clique is one of growing disintegration."

Either Yugoslavia remains in the grip of foreign monopolies or else restores "the ancient bonds" with Russia and other Communist countries and "steps out on the high road of national regeneration, economic progress and a blossoming of its culture," the journal added.

EXPELLED AGAIN

BELGRADE, Sunday (Reuter). —The Yugoslav Union of Authors and Writers today expelled Mr. Milovan Djilas, former President of the Yugoslav Parliament, for his "anti-Marxist and revisionist activities."

Mr. Djilas resigned his Presidency and was expelled from the Central Committee of the Yugoslav Communist League earlier this month.

ISRAEL GAS DISTRIBUTION CO. LTD.

ON FEBRUARY 7, 1954
the following offices will open:

HAIFA
Bayside Land Corp. Ltd.,
2 Rehov Herzl, Tel. 3784.

JERUSALEM
M. Filovsky, 12 Princess Mary Ave., Tel.3702.

SALES AND DEMONSTRATIONS IN TEL AVIV:
Financial Centre, 6 Rehov Ahuzat Bayit, Tel.86316.
"SHAVIT," 9 Allenby Road, Tel.62261.

Every ALLIANCE TIRE is Export Quality!

We don't make special export quality tires. EVERY Premium Quality "ALLIANCE" TIRE we ship abroad is taken from the same stock with which we supply you and your fellow Israelis.

We at "ALLIANCE" pride ourselves in our UNIFORMLY TOP QUALITY to satisfy the most exacting demands of our foreign customers and to give the local consumer highest value for his money.

YOU ARE SAFE with "ALLIANCE"

Alliance
HADERA

ARARAT
Insurance Co. Ltd.
Offers reliable
INSURANCE
SERVICE
Ararat House, Tel. 3522
82 Rehov Yavne, Tel Aviv
Haifa: 14 Harbour St., Tel. 04186

Social & Personal

The President and Mrs. Ben-Zvi yesterday entertained to luncheon Mr. Ya'acov Fichman, the poet, Messrs. Y. D. Berkovitz and N. Goren, the authors; and Mr. Moshe Gordon, Director of Mossad Bialik. They gave a reception on Saturday night for the Chief Rabbi and Mrs. I. H. Herzog; Rabbi and Mrs. Y. L. Maimon, Mr. Zalman Shazar, M.K., and Mrs. Shazar.

•

Finance Minister Levi Eshkol, who heads the Settlement Department of the Jewish Agency, visited several Negev settlements last weekend, accompanied by Mr. Ra'anan Weitz, Director of the Department.

•

The Minister of Commerce and Industry, Mr. Peretz Bernstein, today begins a vacation of a week to 10 days.

•

Mr. Menahem Begin, M.K. returned yesterday in the Italian ship s.s. Messapia from a three-month tour of South Africa and France.

•

Professor J. Robert Oppenheimer, Director of the Institute for Advanced Study at Princeton, New Jersey, has been unanimously elected a member of the Board of Governors of the Technion. Professor Oppenheimer has been a member of the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission and was director of the Los Alamos Science Laboratories where the Atomic bomb was developed.

•

Sgan-Aluf Ram Ron has been appointed Chief Gadna Officer to replace Aluf-Mishne Akiva Azmon whose tenure ends today.

•

Mrs. S. Kantor, Chief Matron in the Ministry of Health, returned by L.A.I. yesterday after study in Europe and the U.S.

•

Mr. C. Jacob, American expert on subterranean water resources, arrived by El Al yesterday for a two-month visit at the invitation of the Water Planning Authority. Also aboard the plane was Mr. A. Michaeli, Director of Civil Aviation, returning from study in Europe and the U.S.

•

Mr. J. Coates, U.N. petroleum expert, is to deliver a public lecture at the Technion, on "The Search for Oil," tomorrow Tuesday, February 2, 1954, at 8 p.m. in lecture hall No. 12, at the Technion.

BALTIC COLD WAVE

COPENHAGEN, Sunday (Reuter). — Ice is now forming in the main channels of the Sound and the Great and Little Belts, threatening navigation between the Baltic and the North Sea.

Danish motor torpedo-boats ordered to proceed to the ice-free port of Hirtshals in North Jutland had a bad time. Some were so completely frozen over that they had to put into Frederikshaven to be thawed out.

The East German Radio today reported exceptional cold along the German Baltic Coast, where a temperature of 35 degrees below zero centigrade was recorded.

Where to go

JERUSALEM

★ **Libraries:** —
American Library and Reading Room, U.S. Consulate, Mamilla Rd. Entrance free. 9-12; 2-4.

★ **Archaeology:** —
Permanent exhibition, Dept. of Antiquities, 25 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech. 9-1, 4-6 p.m.

★ **Exhibitions:** —
Paintings by Melita Schiffer and David Wittman, auspices: The Israel Painters and Sculptors Association, Artists' House. 10-1, 4-6.

★ **Tours:** —
Hebrew University conducted tours, new administration building, King George Ave., opposite Terra Sancta. 10 a.m.

TEL AVIV

★ **Exhibitions:** —
100 Years Dutch Painting. Also exhibitions by Eisenacher and R. Louisida. Museum, 10 a.m.- 10 p.m.

★ **Theatre:** —
"Neur-A-Din," Chamber Theatre, Mograbi, 8 p.m.

★ **Entertainment:** —
Concert at Noga Cafe, from 5 p.m. to 12 midnight.
Dance and dine at the Cocktail Bar.

HAIFA

★ **Exhibitions:** —
"Leonardo da Vinci"—the artist and the man of science." Reproductions and photographs arranged by Mr. E. Kolb, Director of Tel Aviv Museum. Municipal Museum, 10-1, 4-8.
Gadna Beit Hamishah, 6 Rehov Mufletis, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.

★ **Recorded Music:** —
L.P. Records: Chopin, Piano Concerto Mendelssohn: Violin Concerto & 4th Symphony (Italian). Pevsner Hall, 8 p.m.

HERZLIYA

★ **Theatre:** —
"Pygmalion," Chamber Theatre. 9 p.m.

RA'ANANA

★ **Theatre:** —
Habimah, "Most Cruel — The King", 8 p.m.

THE HEBREW NATIONAL
OPERA
TEL AVIV: HABIMAH
Tomorrow, Feb. 2, at 8.15 p.m.
Rigoletto
Opera in 3 acts (4 scenes) by G. VERDI
TEL AVIV: HABIMAH
Tuesday, Feb. 2, 8.15 p.m.
Carmen
Opera in 4 acts by BIZET
Tickets: Boxoffice, 27 Allenby Rd., Tel Aviv, Tel. 3535 and at the Habimah box office.

Kariv Forcing Vote On Delegating Powers

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Mayor of Jerusalem, Mr. Y. Kariv, has called Council sessions for tomorrow, Wednesday and Thursday, to counter the Opposition fight against an agenda which they allege aims at deferring the proposed dissolution of the Jerusalem City Council.

A vote without a quorum is valid if taken at three successive meetings.

The Coalition demand for distribution of the Mayor's powers among his deputies, thereby giving the General Zionist faction far greater influence, is regarded by Mapai Councillors as a blow against their call for municipal elections. The Minister of Interior, Mr. I. Rokach, a General Zionist, has privately let it be understood that he opposes immediate elections in the Capital.

Mr. M. Friedman (Mapai) has strenuously denied that his party has boycotted Council meetings, which have been postponed three times in the last ten days. The Mapai Councillors have certainly refused to debate the Coalition proposals, but are anxious to discuss other questions. Current Municipal business has been held up by the postponement.

Mad Dogs And Local Councils

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Sunday. — A dispute over mad dogs has arisen between the Municipality and about 20 District and Local Councils in the area.

Last August, the Municipality Veterinary Department agreed to take over from the Government responsibility for the quarantine station dogs at the Municipal slaughter-house. The station is used to determine the health of dogs which have bitten residents.

Neighbouring Councils were required to bear part of the station's upkeep, and each was asked to pay IL.10 monthly. They could not agree that each should pay an equal amount. Some claimed that their population is less than others, while others argued that the number of dogs is not proportionate to the number of residents.

As most of the Councils still have paid nothing, the Haifa Municipality has decided not to admit any suspect dogs from the non-paying vicinities.

The District Representative is now trying to persuade the Councils to fulfil their obligations.

Syrian Synagogue May Have Been Venus Temple

The 3rd century synagogue at Dura-Europos, on the Euphrates, in Syria, with its wall paintings, may well have originally been a temple of Venus, according to Dr. P.A.H. de Boer, Professor of Bible at Leyden University, who recently visited the site. Lecturing to the Netherlands-Israel Society at Amsterdam recently, he pointed out that the concha over the niche for the Torah scrolls was a symbol often connected with Aphrodite. The lower row of paintings, with pagan representations, is considerably older, in his view, than the upper row, with Biblical ones.

On the same occasion, he spoke of his visit to the present excavations at Qumran, north of the Dead Sea, where Père de Vaux last spring discovered a cemetery. In contrast with de Vaux, Professor de Boer believes that this may not be an Essene, but a very much later Moslem cemetery.

Arab Hatred Increases

LONDON, Sunday (INA). — Hatred of Israel, Britain and the U.S. unifies the Arab states which otherwise do not agree on anything; and their hatred for Britain and the U.S. is now stronger than it was two or three years ago, Mr. Philips Price, Labour M.P., told the Royal Asian Society yesterday on his return from the Middle East.

At the Cinema

"BARBE bleue" (Edison, Tel Aviv), a Christian Jaque production in subtle colour, is delightful, infectious vaudeville, blessed by the sparkling spirit of Jacques Offenbach's "Bouffes Parisiens." The monstrous medieval *grand seigneur* is played by Don Juan-like Pierre Brasseur. His beard's mysterious blue is unveiled by 17-year-old bride No. 7, (irresistible Cecile Aubry) who makes a fascinating discovery about her six predecessors of all nations. This brilliant burlesque is one of the most amusing escapades we remember.

FRANCO

Press Review:

The Revolt Against Shishakly

Commenting on the revolt in Syria, "Ha'aretz" (Independent) says that though public opinion and all the politicians are against Shishakly it must be taken that he will prevail if only the army will continue to back him. The paper likens the sympathy for Shishakly in some American circles to the support of Mussolini among British right-wingers in the 'twenties and 'thirties. There is as yet no Syrian nation and "Ha'aretz" doubts whether Shishakly will succeed in creating one. The task requires more than anti-Israel propaganda alone.

According to "Herut", prudent Israel foreign policy could easily settle all questions outstanding now with Syria. We should stretch out the hand of friendship to all Syrian elements ready for a peace settlement. "Hatzofe" (World Misrahi Union) remarks that Shishakly has not carried out even one of his many promises. Hence the crisis which, the paper believes, forebodes the downfall of the regime in the near future.

"Al Hamishmar" (Mapam) attributes the dwindling of respect for the armistice agreements to Western appeasement and the promise of arms. The Republican administration in Washington evidently wishes to back only the feudal regimes in Asia. The recent acts of aggression by the Arab rulers are not mere violations of agreements, but political provocations to bring about sharp Israel reactions that serve as a pretext for renewing the war. The recent internal difficulties of the Syrian and Egyptian dictators may give additional impetus to aggression against Israel, "Al Hamishmar" concludes, and in such an eventuality the entire country will rise to defend the state whatever the government of the hour.

"Zmanim" (Progressive), referring to our complaint to the Security Council on the Egyptian blockade of Suez and Eilat, comments that the Foreign Ministry has evidently reexamined Egypt's intentions and come to new conclusions. Egyptian violations of international laws are so blatant that even the powers that lean backwards in order not to offend Cairo must denounce them. Yet it would not be very realistic to expect such a condemnation to have much of an effect, adds the paper.

Dealing with the America projects for arms supplies to the Arab countries, "Haboker" (General Zionist) says that there is a strong possibility that these arms will fall eventually into the hands of the enemies of the present regimes. Senator Wiley rightly stressed that what these countries need is technical, educational and economic help in order to reach a minimum level of political maturity.

"Davar" (Histadrut) welcomes in one editorial the fact that the parties in Israel have joined the World Jewish Congress, and criticizes in another the decision of the Ministry of Communications to transfer the exploitation of the Kishon project to private hands.

Egyptian Girls March

Egyptian university girls wearing National Guard uniforms march during the first anniversary of the foundation of the Liberation Rally, which was celebrated in Cairo. A total of 35,000 members of the National Guard and Youth Organization took part.

Express Photo

Denmark Forbids Ritual Slaughter

COPENHAGEN, Sunday (INA). — The Danish Government has rejected an appeal by Copenhagen Jewry against a law forbidding the slaughter of cattle in accordance with Jewish ritual *(shehita)*.

According to the new law, which becomes effective in April, slaughter is allowed only after the animal has been given an electric shock. The law does not apply to fowl.

Ritual slaughter was discussed in the British House of Commons on Friday. Mr. Richard Stokes (Labour) said, "I should like to express my appreciation to my Jewish friends for their perfect method of slaughtering cattle. I do not think that a more humane and speedy way is possible, except the one used in a modern slaughter house." He said he did not think the Jewish method of preparing animals for slaughter was adequate in easing pain.

Rabbinate Opposes Dissection Clauses

There are still some provisions in the Law permitting dissection of bodies for anatomical study to which it is opposed, the Chief Rabbinate has announced. It noted, however, that some of the recommendations it had made in November 1953 had been accepted.

The Chief Rabbinate asserted that the increasing number of "irresponsible" autopsies being performed in hospitals were not in accordance with the Law, as had been claimed.

EMERGENCY PHARMACIES

Jerusalem: Rehavia, 22 Ussishkin, 4703. Rehovot, Bokharan Qr., 4735. **Tel Aviv:** Altman, 1 King George, 3791. Kita Jewish, 22 Hayarkon, 3586. Yehuda Halevi, 91 Yehuda Halevi, 5159. Nordau, 183 Ben Yehuda, 23573. Hadassah, Hatikva Qr., 67684. **Jaffa:** Briut, 6 Rehov 3, 80233. **Ramat Gan:** Mazor, 50 Bialik. **Givatayim:** Hadassah, Rehov Modiin.

Haifa: Magen David, 13 Gaula, 6205. Nimas, 28 Khouri, 4197. Kiryat Bialik: Bialik, 7230.

EMERGENCY PHYSICIANS

Jerusalem: Dr. A. Weigl, Romema, 61295. Dr. Schlussel, Talpiot. **Tel Aviv:** Dr. M. Shaham, 1 Syrkin, 26542. Dr. N.L. Sacher, 165 Dizengoff, 26262. Dr. I. Griffel, 5 Ben Yehuda, 66496. Dr. Levithal, 3 Mapu, 24562.

Haifa: Dr. Y. Eckstein, 13 Hashalom, 48006. Dr. F. Bilski, 7 Ahud, 2199. Dr. H. Berger, 12 Sd. Bat Galim, Bat Galim, 2086. Dr. N. Landau, 4 Mahanayim, 6832.

75,000 Rooms a Year To Clear Slum Areas

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Large parts of our cities have virtually become slums, both in appearance and density of population, and they ought to be thoroughly renovated or even demolished and rebuilt, it is commented in the annual report of the General Mortgage Bank.

In Tel Aviv alone, about 40,000 dwelling units of 2½ rooms each are needed in order to liquidate existing slums and attain a decent standard of housing. For the country as a whole, an annual building rate of 30,000 dwelling units (75,000 rooms) will be needed for the next ten years, in order to supply the housing needs of the existing population, taking into account only the natural increase, and not immigration. However, in 1952 only about 60,000 rooms were built and in 1953 the figure dropped to about 35,000.

The question of financing the necessary building remains unsolved even if we count on mortgage loans which may be granted by Government and other public funds. The only way out of the impasse is to be sought in a considerable reduction of the standard of houses, the report goes on, in order to cut costs and so make building for letting again profitable for private investors, both local and foreign.

The bank's activity was hampered in 1953 by the persistent deficiency of long-term capital. Additional three per cent debentures were issued to the amount of IL.731,000, but, of this, IL.158,000 was used for taking off the market four per cent debentures of older issues.

Regular instalments on account of mortgage loans totalled IL.322,000 but only IL.60,000 was repaid before maturity, much less than in the preceding year, because of the more difficult cash situation. The bulk of the loans granted by the bank was financed by the Treasury, which has increased its advances to the bank by almost IL.21m., to a total of IL.64m.

Loans granted by the bank in 1953 totalled IL.31m., but only IL.252,000 was for ordinary mortgage loans to private persons and groups. A sum of IL.2.3m. was loaned to different groups of Government-sponsored housing — Veterans, Regular Army, Popular Housing—and IL.522,000 was loaned for hotels (this, too, from Government funds).

The bank's administrative expenses show an increase during the year of 25%. Its net profit and dividend are the same as a year ago.

British Court Finds For Israel Custodian

Since Israel's emergency regulations in respect of absentee property are fair, a British Court recently turned down the application of two Arabs, former Palestinians, for insurance compensation after their automobile repair workshops in Haifa were destroyed during the War of Independence, and instead awarded damage payment to Israel.

In a 50-page judgment, Mr. Justice Pearson, of the British Queen's Bench Division, said in a case where the Israel authorities were the defendants, that "as the (Israel) Regulations and Laws are evidently measures of economic warfare and analogous to English legislation and orders relating to the Custodian of Enemy Property, I would say... that they are not confiscatory... My decision, therefore, is in favour of the Custodian on this issue." He dwelt in detail on present strained relations between Israel and the Arab States.

This is an important case of precedent, in which the relatively small sum of just over £5,000 is irrelevant.

Fuad and Kamil Jabbour, two brothers, had lived in downtown Haifa for a long time and had owned a modern garage and car repair workshop there. Their property was insured with the (British) Yorkshire Insurance Company, with the contract drawn up in Palestine and damages payable in Palestinian currency. It was "rained and blown up" — as the judgment recalls — in January-1948, and two months later, the owners left for Egypt where, after another three months, they demanded insurance compensation from the British firm in London.

The company stalled, and lively correspondence ensued, until the Israel Government entered the picture, on the strength of its two Emergency Regulations concerning properties of Absentees, the first promulgated in December 1948, and the second in 1950. Thereupon, the insurance company deposited the sum involved with the High Court, asking that it be handed over to the party found to be the rightful claimant.

The Jabbours have now taken the case to the British Court of Appeals, but Justice Ministry officials are confident that it will uphold the findings of the lower court.

FARMER'S FORUM

Gall-nut disease has appeared, for first time in this country in many tree nurseries and has attacked apple saplings. This dangerous disease may spread and cause much damage as every infected sapling has to be destroyed. All other saplings acquired by an infected nursery establishment must be disinfected, quarantined and planted in their true nursery. Only after saplings show resistance to the disease for a whole year can they be put safely on the market. An inspection is now being carried out in all tree nurseries, after which the public will be notified of the arrangements for selling apple saplings.

• • •

The greatest part of cattle-feed should consist of locally grown fodder, concentrates being reduced as much as possible, according to Mr. N. Berman, owner of a large ranch in New Zealand, who has volunteered to serve as an adviser on fodder to the Ministry of Agriculture. We should seek to free milk from dependence on imports, he said. Further advice from Mr. Berman is to put cattle to pasture when the grass is young, 10 to 30 cms. high, as the nutritive value of young herbs is 60% higher than at maturity.

• • •

42 dunams of vineyard in Ayelet Hashahar are to be set aside for the "dislocated chain" method of vine planting, as a result of experiments carried out by the vineyard workers at that kibbutz for the past four years. The "dislocated chain" method, which has proved one of the best, consists of planting the vines on two different levels.

Cows Use Their Heads

BELTEVILLE, Maryland Sunday (Reuter).—The longer a cow's head the more milk she produces, according to a report prepared for the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Researchers at the dairy branch headquarters here found in an analysis of 696 cows that length of head was the one measurement consistently indicative of milk production.

85% Reparation Funds Spent

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — Only 26m. marks of the total 600m. marks allocated have not been spent to date with the end of the second fiscal year during which German reparations funds were used.

Part of this unused sum would be spent before March 31, mainly on timber and agricultural machinery, and the balance during the course of the year, the Shilumim Corporation announced here on Friday.

The major part of the 400m. marks, 150m. marks, went for fuel. Of the other types of purchases, the division by groups of goods was not strictly adhered to. For instance, while seven million marks was originally earmarked for agriculture, 9.9m. marks was actually spent and the extra money deducted from other groups.

Purchases originally planned and those actually executed were as follows (in millions of marks):

Group	Type of goods	Planned for 1953/54	Actually Purchased
A	Ferrous and non-ferrous metals	53	47.3
B	Heavy industrial and mechanical equipment	96.1	90.8
C	Industrial products	70	38.1
D	Agricultural goods	7	9.9

TEL AVIV STOCK MARKET

JAN. 31.

		Rise or Fall
Govt. Loans		
3% 1955 (reg.)	100½	—
3% 1956 (reg.)	101	—
3% 1958 (reg.)	100	—
Gov. Loans		
1949 4% (IL.20)	99½	—
1950/75 (IL.10)	99½	—
2½% Tavel Dollar	1377½	(c)
3½% Tavel Dollar	1389½	(c)
3½% War Loan 54/59	91½	(c) +½
3½% Govt. Bonds large	91½	+½
Pal. Rescue Bd.		
Ser. 1	73½	+½
Ser. 2	72½	+½
Ser. 3	73½	+½
B. Leumi Ord sh.	308	—
A.P.H. Invest.		
5% Debs. 50/70	99	—
4½% Pref sh.	105½	—
Ord. sh. "B"	123½	—
Gen. Mortg. Bk.		
4% Debs. 61/65	77½	—
6% Pref. sh.	79	+½
Discnt		
4% Debs. 46/58	99½	—
4½% Debs. 52/68 reg.	76½	—
Mtr Ltd.		
4% Debs. 39/59	83	—
6% Pref sh	72	—½
Pass Debs. 4% 42/62	73½	—½
P.L.D.C. Ord. sh.	130½	—½
5% Debs.	94	—
Afr Pal. Inv. Ord. sh.	131	+1
Rassco		
4% Debs 56/63	70½	—
6% Pref. Ord. sh.	86½	+½
Pal. Potash 6% Pref. sh	417	—
"A" ord. sh.	228	+2
Pal. Elec. Ord sh (Iec.)	454	+2
Mekoroth Pref sh.	79½	—
Ata 6% "C" Pref.sh.	114	+1
Ord. "B" sh.	155½	—1
6-8% Con. Debs.	104	—a)
"Kardanah" Ord "B.sh	167½	—1
Assia-Bel. "B" sh.	173½	—
"Tova" Ord. sh.	102	—
Nesher 6% Debs.Ser.A	113	+1c)
6% Debs. Ser. B	151	+2c)
Pal. Cold St. 7% Debs.	138	—½
Lodzia 4½% Pref sh.	75½	+½
S.A. Binyan Ord sh	83	—b)
Pal. Constr. Tr. pref. sh	91½	—3½

Notes: a) purchasing price; b) selling price; c) ex-coupons; d) ex right; x) pruiot per one Dollar

JERUSALEM CINEMAS

at 3, 6.30 & 8.30 p.m.

ARNON: Hold Back the Dawn.
EDEN: The Hour of 13.
EDISON: Barbe Bleue.
ORGIL: Where's Charley? (3rd week)
ORION: The Golden Hawk.
ORNA: Coiffeur Pour Dames.
STUDIO: Eroica. (3rd week).
ZION: Scarlet Angel.

Notice to the Public

MINISTRY OF FINANCE—ARNONA

TO THE ATTENTION OF PROPERTY OWNERS LIABLE TO PAY ARNONA TAX IN RESPECT OF EQUIPMENT, BUILDING AND PLANTATIONS.

According to Art. 14(A) (1) of the Arnona Regulations— War Damage Compensation, 1951, all property owners, as above, were to pay to the Arnona cash offices, on January 1, 1954, the second instalment on account of the Tax they owe.

I would like to emphasize that according to Art. 26 of the said Regulations, a 20% fine will be added to all payments not effected on time.

DR. M. LANDAU,
Director of Arnona.

MINISTRY OF FINANCE
COMPULSORY LOAN

I hereby draw the attention of persons owing on the Compulsory Loan ("Kofer Milve") that according to Art. 37 (A) (2) of the Compulsory Loan Regulations — 1953, they are to pay the next instalment to the equivalent of 15% of the total amount they owe, during the month of February.

Property owners who did not receive any notice to effect the said payment, must nevertheless do so according to the previous instructions they received (for August, 1953).

Dr. M. LANDAU,
Director of Compulsory Loan

ARARONI PRIZE FOR CITRUS STUDY

The family of the late Mr. Ben Zion Ararони has entrusted to the Research Council of Israel a fund of IL.500 for an annual prize to be awarded for a suitable paper on a research investigation concerned with the technology of citrus products. This prize will bear the name of Ben Zion Ararони, one of the pioneers of citrus research in the country, and has been established for the encouragement of research in the technology of citrus products.

The prize will be between IL.125 and IL.150. The award will be presented on the anniversary of the death of Mr. Ararони next April. The judges will be selected by the Research Council of Israel.

Manuscripts of research papers may be sent to the Director of the Research Council, P.O.B.607, Jerusalem, not later than February 28, 1954.

IN BRITISH SOCCER

Norwich Eliminates Arsenal

Arsenal were defeated 1:2 at home by Norwich City on Saturday in the fourth round of the English Football Association cup. This is a bad year for last year's League champions. They are trailing at the end of the first division and have now been knocked out of the cup by a third division team.

Among other surprises on Saturday was the defeat of First Division Cardiff at the hands of Third Division Port Vale, 2:0, Ipswich (Third Division) beat Birmingham (Second Division) 1:0.

Meanwhile, in a friendly match between the Scottish team Aberdeen and English First Division Wolverhampton Wanderers, the Wolves were surprisingly beaten 5:3.

FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION CUP

Fourth Round: Arsenal v Norwich 1:2; Blackburn v Hull 2:2; Burnley v Newcastle 1:1; Cardiff v Port Vale 0:2; Everton v Swansea 3:0; Haddington v Bolton 2:4; Ipswich v Birmingham 1:0; Leyton Orient v Fulham 2:1; Lincoln v Preston 0:2; Manchester City v Tottenham Hotspur 0:1; Plymouth v Doncaster 0:2; Scunthorpe v Portsmouth 1:1; Sheffield Wednesday v Chesterfield 0:0; Stoke v Leicester 0:0; West Bromwich v Rotherham 4:0; West Ham v Blackpool 1:1. **Second Division:** Bury v Brentford 1:1. **Third Division South:** Crystal Palace v Exeter 0:0; Gillingham v Bournemouth 1:0; New Port v Colchester, postponed; Queens Park Rangers v Coventry 0:3; Reading v Brighton, postponed; Shrewsbury v Bristol City 4:3; Southend v Swindon 3:1; Walsall v Aldershot 0:2. **Third Division North:** Carlisle v Hartlepool 2:3; Chester v Mansfield postponed; Crewe v Barrow 2:0; Darlington v Halifax 1:1; Grimsby v Workington 1:0; Southport v Wrexham 4:0; Tranmere v Barnsley, postponed; York v Rochdale 1:2.

SCOTTISH CUP — FIRST ROUND

Alloa v Clyde 1:3; Berwick v East Stirling 7:0; East Fife v Queen of the South 0:3; Fraserburgh v Leith 5:4; Inverness v Hamilton 3:3; Montrose v Peebles 9:1; Morton v Dundee United 3:2; Partick v Airdrie 1:0; Rangers v Queens Park 2:0; St. Johnstone v Hibernian 1:2; St. Mirren v Motherwell 1:3; Stirling v Dumbarton 2:1; Stranraer v Dunfermline 1:4; Third Lanark v Stenhousemuir 3:2. **Scottish League Division A:** Hearts v Falkirk 0:0. **Scottish League Division B:** Albion v Forfar 1:2; Arbroath v Ayr 1:0; Cowdenbeath v Kilmarnock 6:0.

ON THE AIR

JERUSALEM: 497 M.; HAIFA: 349 M.; TEL AVIV: 32.3, 48.9 & 322 M.

FIRST PROGRAMME

News: Hebrew: 7 a.m., 1.30, 6.15, 8.30 & 11.00 p.m. Arabic Programme (including News): 9 a.m., 2.15 & 6.15 p.m., Turkish: 11.30 a.m.

8.30 a.m. Service. 8.35 Exercise. 8.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.15 Melodies (R). 8.30 Close Down.

12.00 N. "Music at Noon" (R). 12.30 Concert Hall: "L'Imperiale" Suite for Orchestra (Couperin); Horn Concerto (Haydn); Serenade (Mozart). 1.45 "The Voice of the Violin" (R). 2.00 Close Down.

4.00 p.m. Siesta (R). 4.30 Musical Miniatures (R). 5.00 Piano Recital: Aaron Bar-Lev. 5.30 Child's Corner. 5.45 Children's Hour. 7.00 Ballet Music (R). 7.45 Talk. 8.00 Tel Aviv Municipality at Work. 8.24 Bible Reading. 8.45 Answer to the Citizen. 9.00 Curtain Up. 10.00 Chamber Music presented by Telcron, Mishori, Naaman, Rosky, Mirkin, Manor, Berent and Nair: Variations on a song by Bein (Broder); Hoffer for Clarinet and Piano (Ben Yossef); Trio for Clarinet, Viola & Piano (Mozart). 10.40 "Nocturne" (R). 11.05 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME

458, 298, 214, 48.9 M.

English News: 1.45 p.m. 10.15 p.m. 4.00 p.m. Chamber Music (R). 4.30 Messages to Immigrants. 5.00 Programme for Tomorrow. 5.20 Literature Corner. 5.40 Ballet Music (R). 6.15 Close Down.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR (32.3, 34.9 & 469 M.): French 6.30 p.m. Lecture: 7.00 p.m. Yiddish: 7.30 p.m. **KOL ZION LAGOLA** (32.3 M.): 11.15 News. Newsreel & Economic Review. 11.45 Kol Zion Choir.

ARMY PROGRAMME (44.6, 216, 255 & 299 M.): 4.30 Opening. 4.45 Recital. 7.00 Requests. 7.30 Today's Events. 7.35 "Among the Flags." 8.00 Light Music. 8.30 News. 8.45 Concert. 10.00 Close Down.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS (24.56; 31.32; 30.99 M.): 6.30-7.00 p.m. News; News Talk; Press Review.

Dante Alighieri Society, Tel Aviv.
ARTISTIC EVENING
with the participation of the Italian Pianist
Almee Derra
on Tuesday, February 2, 1954 at 8.30 p.m. at the Museum, Rothschild Blvd., Tel Aviv.
★
Music from the 16th century: Scarlatti, Vivaldi, Frescobaldi, and modern Italian composers.

EPIDIASCOPE
FOR HIRE
Apply: F. GOLDSCHMIDT,
1 Rehov Molcho,
Tel. 4064, Jerusalem.

Your Photocopies...
IN 2 MINUTES
DAVID BRENDER'S
Secretarial & Photocopy Services
63 Rehov Nahlat Benyamin, Tel Aviv
(opp. "Palatin" Cafe, first floor).

Theatre Do-Re-Mi
Directed by George VAL
Countess Maritza
"ORAH" Cinema, Haifa
At the request of the Haifa public
Tuesday, February 2.
Wednesday, February 3.
Thursday, February 4.

WANTED
To rent or purchase
2-3 room flat
in Tel Aviv or surroundings.
Write: P.O.B. 279, Tel Aviv.

WANTED FOR TOURISTS
Well Furnished Rooms
near Salameh Sq.
for several months.
Write: No. J/240, P.O.Box 81, JERUSALEM.

WANTED TO RENT
3-ROOM FLAT
Central Carmel or Ahuza.
ready for occupancy soon.
No agents.
Write: No.2234, Advertising Centre, 40 Reh. Herzl, Haifa.

Wanted English Car
14-18 H.P. New or under 20,000 kms.
First Hand — No Agents.
Apply: Tal-Arieli Advertising, P.O.B.245, Tel.66002, Tel Aviv.

WANTED
SMALL PRIVATE
CAR
of latest model and in good condition.
Write: "Car", P.O.B. 2082, Tel Aviv.
NO AGENTS!

Wanted SAFE
for office purposes.
Offers to P.O.B. 17, Jerusalem

SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTION REQUIRES
AN AGRICULTURIST OR A BIOLOGIST
with academic degree and a thorough knowledge of Hebrew and English.
Experience in biological or agricultural research and administrative ability will be an asset.
Please send your reply to No. 89485, P.O.B. 81, Jerusalem.

Heat Sealer
FOR PLASTIC MATERIALS
(Jaws 10 inches long)
WANTED
for purchase or hire
Apply to: "Heat Sealer," P.O.B. 1503, Haifa.

WANTED
FOR BARCLAYS BANK (DOMINION, COLONIAL AND OVERSEAS), LOCAL DIRECTOR'S OFFICE
First Class English
Shorthand Typist
Apply in writing to: P.O.B. 1092, Jerusalem, stating qualifications and age.

Today's Post Bag

THE WEATHER

	*A	B	C	D
Mt. Canaan	72	5	10	14
Tiberias	67	11	—	21
Haifa Port	61	11	18	19
Netanya	71	9	15	19
Tel Aviv North	64	9	20	21
Tel Aviv Port	74	11	17	19
Lydda Airport	69	7	20	22
Jerusalem	48	6	14	15
Beersheba	39	3	19	21
Eilat	34	8	23	24

FORECAST: High and medium clouds. Rising temperatures.

*A) Humidity at 8 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maxim. yesterday D) Maximum temp. expected today

* * *

THE TRIAL OF RABBI AMRAM Blau and the ten other persons arrested with him continued in the Jerusalem Magistrate's Court yesterday, with the hearing of the testimonies of some of the defendants. They are being tried for illegal assembly in Mea Shearim in protest against military and national service for women.

* * *

THE HEBREW UNIVERSITY has received a gift of £12,000 from the Jewish Colonization Association towards the maintenance of the Faculty of Agriculture in the current academic year.

* * *

TREASURY CERTIFICATES are to be issued in place of temporary bank receipts given for compulsory loan payments as of July 1, a Finance Ministry spokesman said in Jerusalem yesterday. Payment of interest for 1952-53 will begin on the same date, he added.

* * *

1,145 TIRES WERE SENT to Finland, Turkey and Yugoslavia by the Alliance Tire and Rubber Co., Ltd., last week. The shipment, worth $62,000, is part of an order for $125,000. The exports planned for 1954 are to cover 75% of the foreign currency needed by the company for the year.

* * *

MILK POWDER WILL NO LONGER be added to standard milk in the area between Rehovot and Hadera, including the Tel Aviv district as from today. In the other areas, the addition of milk powder will be discontinued from February 17.

* * *

A "BEN ZION AHARONI" prize will be given annually for the best essay on citrus technology. It has been established by the family of the late Ben Zion Aharoni, a pioneer of citrus growing in this country. The first prize will be awarded in April. Entries must be received by the Research Council, P.O.B. 607, Jerusalem, by February 28.

* * *

28 TOURISTS AND RETURNING RESIDENTS and one immigrant from Britain arrived in Haifa yesterday aboard the s.s. *Messapia*. The s.s.Aksu brought 11 immigrants from Turkey and 29 other passengers.

* * *

ABOUT 1,000 Ramat Gan merchants are planning to stage a warning strike from 2 p.m. today to the end of the business day in protest against high local taxes.

* * *

STRAY DOGS IN GIVAT SHAUL, Jerusalem, are to be poisoned today by the Municipality Veterinarian Service. Dog owners are warned to keep their animals under care.

CABINET

(Continued from Page 1)

will replace Mr. Levi Eshkol, the Finance Minister, on the Ministerial Foreign Affairs and Security Committee, and Mr. I. Rokach, the Minister of Interior, will replace Mr. J. Saphir, the Communications Minister, on the same committee, the Government spokesman said.

Observers suggest that the latter change probably results from the General Zionists' demand during the coalition negotiations that the Ministry of Interior have a greater share in matters affecting areas still under military control.

The Cabinet Communique stated:

At its weekly session yesterday the Cabinet heard the Foreign Minister review the situation in regard to the Jordan River scheme, the steps taken on the Egyptian interference with the passage of ships in the Suez Canal and in the Gulf of Eilat, and the current incidents in Syria.

The 1954/55 draft budget was discussed.

Approval was given to an agreement between the Civil Service Commission and representatives of the civil servants in regard to equating the salaries of civil servants and employees of Local authorities. Pay adjustments will be retroactive to October, 1953.

A decision by the Economic Ministers Committee obliging the Government and the national institutions to pay rates to the Jerusalem Municipality was approved.

Mr. Yosef Glueckman was appointed Director General of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.

U.S. Jewish Newsmen Arrive for Tour

LYDDA AIRPORT, Sunday (ITIM). — A group of five American journalists, representing English-language Jewish newspapers in various parts of the U.S., arrived this morning by El Al for a visit as guests of the Government.

Members of the delegation are: Mr. L. Frish, of the "American Jewish World"; Mr. I. Moscovitz, of the "Southern Weekly"; Mr. Fred Schochet, of the "Jewish Floridian"; Mr. Morris Janoff, of the "Jewish Standard"; and Mr. Albert Golomb, of the "American Jewish [illegible]."

They visited the Jewish Agency in Jerusalem this afternoon and were received by the Chairman of the Executive, Mr. Berl Locker. They were the guests at a reception at the home of Mr. Gershon Agron this evening.

RATION NEWS

JERUSALEM DISTRICT: Fillet: 150 gr., Hob 12, temp. 25 semi-annual cards 4. Turkish [illegible] p. 150 gr., Vav 1, temp. 24, 400 pruta 1 kilogram, distribution to start on Wednesday.

P.E.C. Strike Off: New Threat Made

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Sunday.—The threatened general strike of the Palestine Electric Corporation workers, which was to begin next Tuesday, was cancelled today following a meeting of the Workers' Committee and representatives of the Histadrut Trades Union Department.

The Histadrut central committee will authorize a general strike beginning next Sunday if the Corporation fails by then to sign an amended pension agreement with the workers. Changes in the original pension agreement were made at today's meeting. In the event of a general strike, light and power throughout the country will be ensured by skeleton staffs.

Last Tuesday, the P.E.C. workers carried out a 24-hour general strike unauthorized by the Histadrut in order to press the management to sign a previously agreed pension scheme.

The management refused to sign without the approval of the Government which is shortly to buy up the Corporation. The Histadrut at the time refused to authorize the strike on the grounds that it could not accept the pension scheme as drawn up between the management and the workers.

Jordan Counters Marauding Charge

Jordan has submitted a complaint to the Mixed Armistice Commission on the alleged killing of a Jordan villager well inside Jordan territory, near Rumana village in the northern sector of the Armistice lines. The complaint alleged that the Israel patrol, which had infiltrated into Jordan, had dragged the body into Israel territory after killing the man.

Jordan has also complained that Israel forces had crossed the border in the Kalkilia area.

(The Israel Army spokesman announced several days ago that attempts by Jordanians to infiltrate into the northern sector of the Armistice lines had led to the death of one infiltrator and the wounding of another).

Observers point out that whenever a complaint is lodged by Israel against Jordan for a violation of the Armistice, Jordan files a counter-complaint on similar grounds within 24 hours.

Infiltrators Steal Cow and Cart

BEERSHEBA, Sunday. — Infiltrators stole a cow and a cart from Moshav Gilat in the Western Negev last night. Tracks of three men led to the border.

A 22-year-old infiltrator was caught near a Kibbutz in the south on Friday. Another, aged 31, was caught on Friday near Bet Nabala. He was in possession of five rounds of ammunition for a Czech rifle, 46 empty cartridges and an Elite sweets box.

Rabbi Testifies On Girl's Orthodoxy

"A person who unwillingly desecrates the Sabbath is not necessarily unorthodox," Rabbi H. Shabetai, the Sephardi Rabbi of Jerusalem, stated in the trial of Miss Yehudit Zer Aviv for giving false testimony. Rabbi Shabetai testified in his home in the presence of the Court.

Miss Zer Aviv is charged with perjury in declaring that she is Orthodox in order to avoid military service. Later she was seen travelling on the Sabbath, but claimed that she was hurrying to visit her sister who was ill.

That the defendant had been seen performing ballet steps before an audience proved only that she is fickle, the Rabbi said, and that Orthodox education given her had been weak. The Court's decision is to be given today. *(Itim)*

Citrus Talks With Germany Due

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — Negotiations between representatives of the Citrus Marketing Board and German importers regarding citrus exports to Germany are due to begin shortly, it was learned here today.

Israel citrus was exported to Germany until 1938 and some German purchases of local citrus were made indirectly through the Netherlands after World War II.

About 2.25 m. crates of citrus were exported from the beginning of the picking-season until the end of January, and an estimated 1.8 m. crates will be exported during February.

£50,000 Trial Order For Local Textiles

LYDDA AIRPORT, Sunday (ITIM).—Trial orders for £50,000 worth of textiles have been placed with local manufacturers. If they are executed satisfactorily, further orders for between a quarter and half-a-million pounds may follow.

Mr. H. Taylor, Managing Director of the Tiger textile firm in South Africa, who announced this here today, said that he had examined the quality of the local goods and had found them satisfactory.

Prices are high, he said, but this is more than compensated for by the quality.

Mr. Taylor has left for Europe by L.A.I., after a short visit.

One of the owners of the Tiger firm is Mr. Isaac Wolfson, the British millionaire owner of the Great Universal Stores, who recently paid his first visit to Israel. While here, he told Government officials that he would try to assist the local textile industry, and Mr. Taylor's visit was on his initiative.

Templars Make 2,000 Claims

LYDDA AIRPORT, Sunday (ITIM).—Negotiations with representatives of the West German Government regarding payments by Israel for former Templar property here will be a long process, as some 2,000 individual claims have to be examined and discussed. This was stated here today by Mr. Shimeon Yallon, Commercial Attache at the Israel Legation in Rome, who returned here by L.A.I. today for a one-week visit.

The Government had originally stated that it would discuss a global claim for Templar property, but West Germany's total claim is based on 2,000 separate items referring to plots of land in various parts of the country.

Slight Rise in J'lem Area Crimes

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Crimes in the Jerusalem Police District in 1953 numbered 6,193. This is higher than in the previous year (6,082) but less than in 1951 (6,272). Forty seven per cent of the crimes in the District were solved in 1953, as compared with approximately 53 per cent in the two previous years. This was announced at a press conference yesterday by Mr. Levi Abrahami, Superintendent of the District.

The Jerusalem Police District is the largest in the country, running from Bet Dagon in the north to Eilat in the south. The Negev sub-district was added last December. The District employs about 1,000 policemen and about 50 policewomen.

Mr. Abrahami disclosed that 80% of his men had entered the police force since the establishment of the State. The need not only for training them in law enforcement, but also in acquainting them with the history of Zionism, the settlements and with the country's institutions, is obvious. In fact, 90% of the force have passed one course or another.

The number of complaints filed by members of the public against policemen declined in the past two years, reaching the low level of 94 in 1953; of these, only eight were found to be justified.

The fact that there was only a slight rise in the number of crimes last year should be no reason for satisfaction, Mr. Abrahami declared. On the contrary, the fact that there was no decline is cause for worry.

Although practically all serious crimes are solved, he pointed out, it is extremely difficult to solve "chance crimes" — those committed not by professionals but by ordinary citizens on the spur of the moment.

Youthful offenders were responsible for 56% of burglaries committed in 1953, as compared with 65% in 1952 and 46% in 1951.

In answer to a question, Mr. Abrahami stated that it is not true that the new immigrants are responsible for a disproportionately large number of crimes; with regard to organized gangs, in fact, they supply a smaller proportion.

The Commissioner disclosed that 125 persons had died as a result of traffic accidents in the District in the past three years; of these, 36 were children. However, the number of traffic deaths is declining; there were 39 in 1953.

Dial '14' If You Have A Complaint

The one-pruta increase in the prise of local telephone calls is expected to net the Government IL.800,000 in the coming year, the Minister of Posts, Mr. Yosef Burg, announced yesterday. This estimate is based on last year's total of 80,000,000 calls, he said.

Mr. Burg also announced that henceforth, the number "0" would be used only for information regarding telephone numbers. For other information, and to register complaints, number "14" would be used.

Plans are being made to increase the number of public telephones in use. Regarding the telegram service by phone at night, if the number of telegrams did not justify the expense, the service would be discontinued, Mr. Burg asserted.

Cable lines are to be laid between the three large cities, and between Nazareth, Affula, Migdal Ascalon and Beersheba. In the past year, 130 lines had been extended to outlying settlements.

WAGE POLICY DISCUSSED

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — The Mapai Central Committee today continued its debate on wage policy for the coming year, but did not conclude the discussion. Another meeting will be held next week.

U.K. Immigrants Discuss Jerusalem

An address by Dr. Avraham Biran, Jerusalem District Representative, on the administrative development of the Capital throughout the centuries, stimulated a keen discussion on municipal problems at the annual meeting of the Hitahdut Olei Britannia (Jerusalem Branch), held on Saturday night at the home of Professor and Mrs. Saul Adler in Talbieh.

Steps advocated included the dissociation of Jerusalem municipal elections from the next Knesset elections and from intercity party bargainings; the introduction in Jerusalem of the constituency, personal system of elections, in order to bring home responsibility to the Councillors and their parties.

The setting up by the Government and Jewish Agency of the Implementation Committee on Western Aliyah was welcomed, and reports were given of the successful absorption of most of the immigrants and temporary workers who had arrived here from Britain since 1948. The need for the provision of "housing at reasonable rents" was emphasized.

Mr. Harry Sabel was elected Chairman of the Branch for the coming year; Mr. Eliza Epstein, Mr. Lucien Harris and Mr. Myer Silverstone, vice-chairmen; Mr. Moss Fairmont, Hon. Treasurer; and Mrs. J. Weltis, Hon. Secretary.

Suggest Reduction In Tel Aviv Business Tax

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — A reduction of 10% to 15% in the municipal business tax was suggested by a special Councillors' committee under the chairmanship of Mr. H. Danieli (General Zionists) at the Council's weekly meeting tonight.

The suggestion came after six months of deliberation by the committee which was appointed following the introduction last summer of new business tax rates for the current fiscal year. The new rate met with strong opposition from all firms in the city.

The major changes tabled tonight were that all shops selling rationed goods would be assessed in the same way as other businesses (space, number of employees and the location in town) and not by the number of customers registered, as hitherto.

The IL.1,000 business tax paid by large firms would be changed to payment on the basis of the actual turnover of those businesses and not at a flat rate.

Pay By Single Unit

Firms which hitherto had paid by units (such as 10 hotel rooms, 10 trucks in a transport company or a fixed number of hospital beds) would now pay by a single unit: per hotel room, truck or bed. This change was introduced to avoid the unfairness of a hotel with 12 rooms paying on the scale of "a hotel with between 10 and 20 rooms" as had been written into the law.

Mr. Danieli, who reported to the Council on the changes, also hinted that he might propose a reduction for the current year. The new rates, if approved, would become effective on April 1.

The Council is to debate the suggestions next week, and it is expected that the Mapai Councillors would strongly object to any changes, claiming that business taxes should be increased rather than reduced.

2 Municipal Workers Sent for Trial

TEL AVIV, Sunday (ITIM). — Two Municipal employees were remanded for trial on separate charges before the District Court by the Magistrate's Court here today.

Yishai Haklai, of Givataim, allegedly stole 7,900 litres of petrol, valued at IL.1,272, from a Municipal petrol station of which he was in charge from January to June 1953. He is said to have sold this petrol to other stations for IL.832.

Yisrael Schwartz, of Tel Aviv, a former Municipal tax collector, is charged with taking IL.130 which a tax payer gave him last November. Schwartz was no longer in the employ of the Municipality when the money was handed to him by Mr. I. Gross, of Tel Aviv.

A food inspector, Arieh Goldberg, of Tel Aviv, was detained for five days today on suspicion of accepting IL.340 in bribes last December from a motorcyclist who had illegally transported chocolate into town.

IL.50 Embrace

A stranger walked up to Shalom Fruani in Jerusalem yesterday, threw his arms around him as if he had found a long-lost brother, kissed him on both cheeks and then walked off with his wallet containing IL.50.

Fruani, who sells oranges in the Sanhedria Quarter, told the police that while his "friend" was embracing him, he saw a second stranger taking oranges from the stand. He released himself from the arms of the "friend" and ordered the stranger to leave.

When he looked around some seconds later, his "friend" had disappeared.— as had his wallet. *(Itim)*

Abu Ali Had Taken Sleeping Drug

TEL AVIV, Sunday (ITIM). —A Government chemist, Dr. W. Hirsch, testified in the District Court here today that traces of sleeping drug in the stomach were found during a post mortem on Abu Ali who allegedly was drugged and killed by four men in Jaffa last August.

The four defendants are to testify on February 8; the final prosecution witness was heard today.

Woman Found Dead After Fortnight

RAMAT GAN, Sunday. — Mrs. Toiva Luxemburg, 62, was found dead in her Pardes Katz apartment near here today by the police, who were called in by neighbours. Death took place about two weeks ago, the police estimated.

The body was taken to the Tel Hashomer Hospital.

Dies of Injuries

Gabriel Katain, 27, of Kibbutz Shuval in the Negev, died yesterday in hospital in Jerusalem of injuries received on Thursday when he was hit by a low-flying airplane which was spraying the settlement's fields.

69 Returning To Rumania

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Sunday — A group of 69 residents are returning to Rumania, via Turkey and Bulgaria, in the Turkish ship s.s. Aksu tomorrow. Their fares are being paid by the Rumanian Consulate.

The emigrants include many elderly persons, several more than 80 years of age, and six children, including two babies. They arrived here between two and five years ago, and are rejoining their families in Rumania.

Thirty are from the northern area, including a number of elderly persons from the Pardess Hanna camp. One was an inmate of a medical institution here.

There is also a very small number of orthodox Jews among them, one, a young married man with two children, who had lived in a *ma'barg* near here. He had been steadily employed since his arrival two years ago, and had repaid a debt of IL.300 to the Jewish Agency. He had refused a loan for a similar amount to enable him to buy a *shikun* to which he had become entitled.

All the emigrants were asked to repay any expenses the Agency had incurred for them in their immigration and absorption here, but it was learned that about half were released from these payments because of their poor financial situation.

It is understood that about 200 persons each month are emigrating to various countries from the northern area. About 40% of them leave because of poor economic circumstances.

Eilat Harbour Work Goes Straight Ahead

EILAT, Sunday (ITIM).—Work on the development of the port here, and construction of a new large port, will not be held up by "temporary disturbances", Mr. Y. Fradkin, Head of the Negev and Arava Department of the Ministry of Development, told a meeting of local residents on Friday night.

(It is learned that survey work on the new port had started recently. The first stage comprises mapping the area about a kilometre south of the residential part of Eilat, and a survey of the sea bed near this site).

Mr. Fradkin revealed that a company had been set up by the Government and the Even Vesid quarrying company for the exploitation of granite which is found in large quantities near here. Good quality quartz sand and felspar are also ample in this region.

The seashore is now being prepared for the summer season, with the foreshore being improved, trees planted and changing rooms, and a cafe being built.

A new agricultural settlement is to be established shortly between here and Hatzeva. (Ein Husb), following successful drillings for water.

Man Steals from Mother Who Wouldn't Feed Him

Eliahu Yanai, 24, was bound over in the sum of IL.25 to be of good behaviour for stealing IL.47 from his mother's drawer yesterday. Jerusalem Magistrate Mr. Peretz said that he accepted the accused's plea that he was out of work and that his mother would not give him food.

The mother had reported the theft of the money to the police not suspecting her son. When the police discovered that Eliahu was the culprit, he showed them where he had hidden the money.

Victim's Family Sues For IL.117,000

A plea for damages of IL. 117,000 against a group of building contractors who are accused of causing the death of a man by negligence, was heard yesterday in the Jerusalem District Court, Judge A. Witkon presiding.

The plea was made on behalf of the widow of Shalom Ben Shlomo, her six children and the deceased's mother. The respondents are I. Shiloni, G. Amram, Shabatai and Shimon Levy, and Yehuda Mizrahi.

One of the contractors, the plaintiff states, was in charge of construction work in the Tel Arsa quarter in Jerusalem, on August 12, 1952, when a stick of dynamite, used in blasting, exploided and fatally injured Ben Shlomo.

The respondents are accused of negligence. They, in turn, claim that it was an accident. *(Itim)*

White Sparkling Teeth — For Less Money —

with the highly concentrated Tooth Paste AMAMIT. Cheaper than all others. Prepared on a new formula under the constant supervision of the Israel Dental Association. Foamy and extra-strong cleaning action, refreshing, pleasantly flavoured. On sale everywhere. Ask for AMAMIT Tooth Paste — made by Ikapharm Ltd. *(Advt.)*

Hungarians Get Free Sites to Build Homes

VIENNA, Sunday (Reuter). — The Hungarian Government has decided to give a free site to anyone who wants to build his own house, Budapest Radio announced this morning.

Bricks would be provided at 20% below normal prices, and timber, cement and other building materials between 20 and 30% cheaper than usual.

All wishing to take advantage of this offer must promise to begin building within six months and complete the house within two years. The site would be adequate for a one-family house with a small garden.

Houses built under this scheme would be tax free for 15 years.

The Government has also provided credits amounting to 180m. florints (about £6m.) for those too poor to build without financial help.

Budapest Radio also reported that the Ministry of Agriculture has offered farming specialists a bonus of three months' wages at their present rates if they leave town jobs and return to State tractor and machine centres or collective farms.

100,000 Hungarian Immigrants Sought

TEL AVIV, Sunday (ITIM).—"We shall make no concessions in our demand for the immigration of the 100,000 Hungarian Jews," Mr. Beri Locker, Chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive in Jerusalem, told a meeting of Hungarian Jews here last night.

The two-day conference was attended by 150 delegates of the 50,000 members of the Hungarian Immigrants Association in Israel.

Mr. Locker referred to the agreement reached with the Hungarian Government three years ago for the immigration of 3,000 persons, and said it was still hoped that this number would be allowed to come here, as well as additional groups.

POULTRY PRICE control was lifted yesterday as more than 15 tons of poultry reached Tel Aviv.

Cairo Realistic On Israel—Crossman

LONDON, Sunday (INA). — Writing in the "New Statesman and Nation" regarding his talks in Cairo with Vice-Premier Colonel Abdel Nasser last month, Labourite M.P. Richard Crossman says that he raised the subject of Egyptian-Israel relations.

"I gained the very definite impression that Nasser and his colleagues take a different view of Israel from that of politicians in other Arab countries," Mr. Crossman says.

"Though they would probably be unwilling to admit it, they have faced the obvious fact that Israel has come to stay and that there is no prospect of ever satisfying the clamour of the Arab refugees to return to their lands in Palestine. On this issue I found Cairo's realism notably absent in Jordan."

In reply to Mr. Crossman's question on the aims of the Revolution Council, Nasser said he is a soldier, not a politician. "You talk to us a great deal about the common defence of the Middle East, but a coherent defensive system is impossible as long as Egypt is cut off from her Arab neighbours.

"Surely you see that what is necessary is that Israel should cede the territory south of the Beersheba-Gaza line. That would make military sense for a plan of Middle East defence and incidentally would have the advantage of providing land in the northern area on which the refugees in Gaza could be settled."

Mr. Crossman added: "He was very emphatic that this did not mean looking to a second round, but he stuck to the point that Israel's present frontiers, which cut off Egypt from her Arab allies, are indefensible and would somehow have to be modified.

"At this I grew a little impatient and said to him almost facetiously, 'Well, if you are as difficult as all that, the most sensible thing would be for the Israelis to agree to station some of our troops within their territory. Then we could be certain there would be no second round.'

"To my surprise he replied, 'If you can make that arrangement with the Israelis that's your own affairs.'

"Reflecting on these conversations, I cannot help feeling that Sir Winston Churchill is throwing away what may be the last chance of preserving Britain's position in the Middle East without an Anglo-Egyptian agreement. That position, as well as Arab-Jewish relations, will continue to deteriorate.

"But if he could accept the withdrawal of fighting troops from the Suez, Sir Winston, whose Zionist record gives him unrivalled influence in Israel, could still be the architect of Middle Eastern peace. He might even, with a bit of luck, obtain a base for our troops in a friendly country."

Appeal 15-Year Sentence

CAIRO, Sunday (Reuter). — The brothers of Sarag e-Din, millionaire Secretary General of the now dissolved Wafd Party have appealed to have his sentence of 15 years in prison commuted.

The appeal was addressed to Wing Commander Abdul Latif Boghdady, President of the Revolution Tribunal, who yesterday imposed the sentence for graft, corruption, and abuse of power.

The appeal for clemency was based on the argument that the charges were not reasonable and that the prisoner's health is not good.

JAFFA EVACUEES APPEAL TO P.M.

The Committee of persons removed from the Sache Darwich quarter of Jaffa have appealed to the Prime Minister to bring their case before the Knesset.

The former residents of the quarter, who now live in tin huts, were promised housing by the Tel Aviv Municipality after their homes were condemned as unsafe four years ago.

MALENKOV, MOLOTOV MOSCOW'S CANDIDATES

LONDON, Sunday (Reuter). — The people of the Moscow area today nominated Premier G. Malenkov and Foreign Minister V. Molotov among the 13 candidates in the March Elections to the Council of the Union, Moscow Radio said in a broadcast heard here.

The Council of the Union is one of the two Chambers in the USSR Supreme Council.

AGREEMENT. — British Aviation companies may use Syrian airports under an agreement signed between the two countries in Damascus on Saturday.

Hopes Fade for US Action On Liberalizing Trade, Tariff Policies

WASHINGTON, Sunday (Reuter).—Hopes of Congressional action this year on the Randall Commission's recommendation for liberalizing U.S. trade and tariff policies have faded rapidly during the past week.

Congressman after congressman denounced the majority report of the President's Commission, which advocated relaxation of the "Buy American" act, cuts in tariffs and help for sterling and other currencies to achieve convertibility.

Various Congressmen described the report as rambling, inconsistent, "weasel-worded," schizoprenic and as a "hodge-podge of vague and platitudinous piffle," likely to result in foreign competition reducing their constituencies to "economic deserts."

In itself, this angry protectionist oratory would not necessarily be fatal to the very limited free trade recommendations of the majority report, but it was notable that not a single Congressman, either Democrat or Republican, defended the freer trade proposals when they were debated in the House of Representatives.

Concessions in the report to protectionist views have failed to placate high tariff advocates, and it is significant that opposition to the Commission's proposals was led by Congressmen holding key positions in the committees which will first have to deal with any legislation based on the report.

Supporters of the Randall Commission took some comfort from President Eisenhower's announcement that he is retaining the services of Mr. Clarence Randall—who headed the Randall Commission — as a special White House consultant to help to prepare economic legislation.

They believed that the report might deter protectionists from advocating new U.S. restrictions on world trade and might lead to a more liberal interpretation of existing restrictions such as the "Buy American" act.

THE MANAGEMENT OF

THE JERUSALEM POST

takes pleasure in informing

Newsvendors

that from today, February 1, 1954, the distribution of the newspaper, throughout the country — except Jerusalem — is taken over by

Messrs. ATLAS CO. LTD.,
TEL AVIV: 13 Petah Tikva Rd.
HAIFA: 29 Behov Hehalutz.

★

For further information and supply of the paper please apply to them.

UNLOCKING NATURE'S TREASURE CHEST...

Black gold... oil... is the precious heritage that means so much to mankind.

From the original drilling, through all phases of refining and transportation... General Electric equipment plays a vital part. Natural resources are developed efficiently... thus improving your country's economy.

Wherever you find a job made easier... work done more swiftly... life made more pleasant... there you find G-E products. See your G-E dealer for all your electrical needs.

You can put your confidence in —

GENERAL ELECTRIC
— U.S.A. —

AUTHORIZED DISTRIBUTOR:
GENERAL ELECTRICAL & REFRIGERATION ENGINEERS LTD.
TEL AVIV, FINANCIAL CENTRE, 6 AHUZAT BAYIT ST., P. O. B. 722, TEL. 62848
SUBSIDIARY OF [illegible]

ARIE
Interurban Taxi Service Ltd.

Also During the Winter Season
We do not waste our Patron's time

From 8.45 a.m. cars leave EVERY TEN MINUTES for trips between: JERUSALEM-TEL AVIV-HAIFA

Permanent Service:
Naharya ★ Beersheva ★ Safad ★ Rishon-le-Zion.

When you travel with us you are not kept waiting!

Express Parcel Service

THE JERUSALEM POST

Founded as The Palestine Post in 1932. Published daily, except on Saturday, in Jerusalem by The Palestine Post Limited. Registered at the G.P.O.

Founder and Editor
GERSHON AGRON

Editorial Office & Management:
6 JERUSALEM
Ben. Hahavatzelet, P.O.B.81, Tel.4232 (4 lines)

TEL AVIV Bureau:
28 Nahlat Binyamin, P.O.B.11.4, Tel.4231/2 (2 lines)
HAIFA Bureau:
4 Reh. Khayat, P.O.B. 66, Tel. 4594 (2 lines)

SUBSCRIPTIONS:
Inland IL.36.750. Foreign IL.39.- per year.

Monday, February 1, 1954
Sh'vat 28, 5714. Jumada-el-Ula 27, 1373

DRUZE AND SYRIANS

SYRIA has been in a state of latent civil war ever since Adib Shishakly took over power over four years ago, and especially after the dissolution of political parties in April 1952, hardly a month has passed without the arrest or flight of political leaders, the purge of high military commanders and the uncovering of some conspiracy against the régime.

It was only in a certain brand of American magazines that the Colonel from Hama appeared as a "progressive strongman" enthusiastically supported by the majority of his fellow citizens. In fact his position has been precarious from the outset, and that he has succeeded in retaining power for a number of years perhaps may be explained as a result of the murder of army commanders more capable than he, and that both the country and the army had witnessed more than enough *coup d'etats* and were demanding a period of rest.

The opposition to Shishakly roughly can be divided into three groups: first, the old politicians and parties, mainly the "People's Party" with its bulwarks in the north (Homs and Haleb) which traditionally have been the centres of resistance. Later, they were joined by the leaders of the smaller parties such as Akram Haurani (Shishakly's brother-in-law) who originally had supported the Colonel but later fell out with him. These party leaders, who undoubtedly represent public opinion as far as it exists in Syria, oppose Shishakly to a man, but they are agreed on little else, and civil courage has never been among their more outstanding characteristics.

Widespread as is the unrest stemming from this source it must be accepted that Shishakly has little to fear from these quarters as long as he can rely on the army. There has been dissention within the army, however, which, according to reliable reports, continues to prevail notwithstanding the frequent purges of high commanders. The "Free Syrian Movement" for instance, is headed by Colonel Muhammed Zafa, a former commander of the "Liberation Army" (as is Shishakly himself) and this is only one among several opposition groups.

The most interesting feature however of the present riots undoubtedly is the prominent part taken by the Druze, and the ensuing bombing of Druze villages in Jebel Druze which has provoked such violent albeit natural reactions among the Druze in Israel. The Druze had been prominent for a long time in the struggle for Arab national liberation. Sultan el Atrash had taken part in Lawrence's revolt in the desert and later helped King Faisal ibn Hussain to obtain a foothold in the Levant states. In 1922, and on a much larger scale in 1925, the Druze forces headed by the Sultan and his brother Said, fought against the French and the green flag of the Arab revolt, taken down after Faisal's defeat, was again hoisted in the Jabal.

That all was not well in the relations between the Druze and the Shishakly Government was apparent last summer when Mansur and Naser el Atrash, sons of the Sultan, were held under arrest for a time by Shishakly's police.

Open fighting has now broken out, and the intention of the representatives of the Druze in Israel to protest to the diplomatic envoys of the Western powers tends to show that they find it difficult to remain mere passive observers at a time when their co-religionists, and relatives over the border are being brutally suppressed by the Damascus dictator. It is a matter of some surprise that the civil war in Syria has been given little if any attention in the world Press. This may not be entirely unconnected with the support for Shishakly in certain American circles, some of them rather close to the State Department. It is doubtful, however, whether this policy of hushing up such important events will be successful in the long run. The Syrian dictator appears to have seen the writing on the wall. His regime, tottering on the brink of the abyss, needs more than the supply of arms to survive.

Western Foreign Ministers Plan Berlin Strategy

A preliminary meeting to decide on a common Western policy was held by the Foreign Ministers of Britain, France and the U.S. before the opening of the Big Four talks in Berlin. At right (foreground) is Mr. Dulles, opposite him is Mr. Bidault, and fourth from right Mr. Eden. Express Photo

New Sector Formed in Berlin

By HENRY FELSON

BERLIN, — OVERNIGHT, Berlin got a new Sector, the Fifth, which came into being for the duration of the Four Power Conference, for security and traffic reasons. This sector starts in Unter Den Linden in the East and leads in a broad corridor to the Allied Control Authority Building in the West. Berliners who wish to cross this sector make a detour at certain times of the day.

The Wilhelm Platz, now the Ernst-Thaelmann Square, where Hitler's chancellery stood, is part of the new sector. The main wing of the former propaganda ministry has been hurriedly turned into the Eastern Press Centre. Journalists from behind the Iron Curtain will have their headquarters here, whilst their Western colleagues will be accommodated on five floors of the Kathreiner House in the Potsdamer Strasse at Schoeneberg near the Allied Control Authority Building.

About 650 yards from here, as the crow flies, stands the Russian Embassy in the former luxurious road of Unter den Linden. It is the official residence of Mr. Semjonow, the Russian High Commissioner.

The Russian Embassy will be the main scene of attraction during this second week when the four Ministers and their staffs will continue the discussions. A large conference room, almost 300 square yards in size and normally used as a reception hall, has been prepared. Next to this room is a smaller lounge with a wintergarden.

From an impressive entrance hall, laid out in white and grey marble stone, a broad staircase leads to the first floor with the 22-yard-high domelike vestibule surrounded by marble pillars. From here a door leads straight into the conference room. Opposite lies the dining hall.

The distance from the Soviet Embassy to the Allied Control Authority building is roughly four kilometres. The way will be densely crowded with military police of all four nations and German police from the East and the West. Eastern police, the *Volkspolizei*, have discarded their rifles near the sector boundaries and only those guarding the inner circle, that is an area of roughly 400 yards around the Soviet Embassy, carry brenguns in support of Russian guards armed with rifles and fixed bayonets.

Besides the large number of official delegates and semi-official observers of many nations, Berlin has been invaded by almost 2,000 journalists, broadcasters and newsreel men. Although the Western Press Centre at the Kathreiner House has about 20 teleprinters and some 100 telephone boxes ready for the exclusive use of newspapermen, a scramble has started for additional facilities. American correspondents have hired small shops in Elsholzstrasse where the Allied Control Authority Building is situated. For these temporary offices the lowest rent is 1,000 DMs. (£84). One particularly inventive journalist has hired a taxi which has a telephone installed. Thus he is not dependent on sending his stories from overcrowded post offices or public phone boxes. The taxi will take him to the Eastern and Western meeting places.

There are no hotel rooms left in Berlin and whatever the outcome of the conference, some people, mainly hotel and bar proprietors, are bound to do a roaring trade. Both sides of Berlin are vying with each other in putting on special gala performances at theatres and operas. It is believed that the Moscow State's Ballet will appear at the Staats-Oper in the East. A number of prominent German singers and actors, many of them normally employed in the West, have been invited and will appear on stages in the East.

The Western sector, too, will have plenty of artistic titbits to offer. The Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra will appear at a mammoth concert at the Sports Palladium, directed by Paul Hindemith and Serge Celibidache, in the absence of Wilhelm Furtwaengler who is ill.

H.O. Shops, the government controlled cooperatives, will show their best type goods. These shops, in the words of the Eastern propaganda chief, will be "documents of prosperity." It is very doubtful, though, whether they approach anything resembling the splendour of Kurfuerstendamm shops and those in Berlin's post-war Oxford Street, the Schlossstrasse at Steglitz.

NATURE NOTES

Colour-blind Birds

LAST summer I brought up a bulbul which had fallen from its nest, and when it was grown, I set it free. For many weeks we enjoyed the entrancing experience of having the bird come out of the foliage and alight skilfully on one of the little girl's shoulders, a Greuze picture all the sweeter because it was alive.

Metziah, as its little finder had appropriately named it, also used to come and share my supper which I had on the terrace. She stropped her bill in my hair after the meal, and when I wore a housedress with red, blue and white polka dots on black, I noticed that she pecked hopefully at the red and white spots, but never at the blue. I took this for a sign of intelligence, imagining that as there was no blue fruit in the vicinity and in fact no blue eatables whatever, while berries were red and bread white, *Metziah* scorned the blue dots.

Today a brand new book tells me that birds distinguish all colours — *except blue!* It is wellknown that dogs and most other mammals see everything in grey, poor things, being completely colour-blind. Incidentally, this disposes of the superstition of the red rag and the bull. But this fact was news to me, and it goes to show how very cautious one should be in drawing inferences. My deduction was logical, but based on a false premise — I had assumed, knowing that birds distinguish colours, that they distinguish them all.

P.A.

SWEDEN NAZI H.Q

AMSTERDAM. — SWEDEN has been chosen as the headquarters for the neo-Nazi European Socialist movement, a recently established federation of "European Socialist" movements of various countries in Western Europe.

The movement is headed by four persons: Per Engdahl, a Swede; Priester, a German; Massie, an Italian and Professor Bardeche, a Frenchman.

The Swedish headquarters will be financed by neo-Nazis in Sweden through a Relief Committee established there in 1946 to aid Germans. The Committee cooperates with German Nazis in the Argentine and at that time collected 300 million Swedish crowns.

H.B.

Readers' Letters

ARAB THREATS 'ONLY PROPAGANDA'

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Dr. Goldmann's remarks on Arab-Israel relations are more realistic than Mr. Levy's emotional comments. I shall deal with the points separately.

The "second round" is a fairytale. The talk about it in Arab countries is part of the cold war and not an indication of a genuine desire to wage war. To exterminate Israel, as Arab leaders avowedly threaten, the Arab States must have a formidable army, three or four times stronger than the Israel forces, to carry out a "blitzkrieg" that would achieve their goal before the Big Power Guarantors have time to intervene effectively. There are, however, no signs that this army is being raised, nor that factories capable of providing it with the necessary arms and ammunition are being constructed. The Arab States do not appear to be planning in terms of a "second round," but only of a continuous economic boycott.

Menacing Arab utterances are more of the nature of propaganda for home consumption. The more fantastic they are, the less attention they deserve. No one need take them seriously, especially statements such as King Saud's assertion to the Trans-Jordanian press delegation that he was "prepared to sacrifice ten million Arabs to destroy Israel." This bombastic speech reminds one of the equally deceptive assurance given by his father to a Palestinian delegation during his official visit to Egypt, that he would "sacrifice his life, his sons, his wealth and everything dear to his heart" to keep Palestine an Arab country. In point of fact, he sent a small token force, ill-equipped and ill-trained, to fight in Palestine, and categorically refused even to threaten the abrogation of the oil concession should the U.S. Government continue to back the partition scheme.

It is incorrect to assume, as Mr. Levy did, that the guaranteeing Powers would not effectively intervene in the event of a "second round" just because the U.N. failed to implement partition by armed forces, or because of their alleged pro-Arab leanings. Recent events, e.g. Kibya, show that these Powers are intent upon keeping their undertakings and would not permit an armed aggression to disturb the tranquillity of this region.

There is some evidence to support Dr. Goldmann's view that "the Arab countries are ready to accept Israel's existence in the Middle East." Arab insistence that Israel should implement the U.N. resolutions as a preliminary step to peace is proof of this. What is really needed to break the ice is a reasonable *modus operandi* to do away with the intransigeant Arab demand for the implementation of the U.N. resolutions and with the obstinate Jewish attitude of direct negotiations.

Dr. Goldmann has correctly analyzed the evil that hinders the promotion of better relations between the two parties. The Arabs, in and out of Israel, are doubtful of Israel's intentions. Unless this destructive feeling of suspicion and mistrust be dispelled by deeds and not by mere words, the barrier to "better relations with the Arab countries" will remain and grow stronger. In an editorial, "Falastin", which appears in the Old City of Jerusalem, reacting to Ambassador Eban's proposal for a joint conference between Israel and Jordan representatives under the Armistice Agreement, said that if the Jews wished to prove their good intentions they should first improve their relations with the Arabs in Israel, and only then ask the Arabs outside Israel to sit with them to negotiate peace. The betterment of conditions of Israel Arabs cannot but have favourable repercussions in Arab countries. It will be the first milestone along the road to peace.

Yours, etc.,
B. N. KOUSSA

Haifa, January 22.

Men and Things

PEOPLE of ancient times expected their rulers to guide them in every possible capacity. The tribal chief was usually witch-doctor as well, and that, in a society which fervently believed in the potency of spells to bring harvests of various sorts, meant Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries to boot. Then, when the responsible potentate died, he was almost automatically elected to godhood in a frantic effort by his erstwhile subjects to avoid being haunted by his ghost; because that, of course, would happen unless his spirit were properly propitiated.

Modern times and more sophisticated civilizations are usually content to allow their leaders perhaps one extra portfolio. That is to say, th. Prime Minister of a little state may be allowed to the Foreign Minister as well. A totalitarian country, however, especially just after a purge, when the ranks of the hierarchy are thin, may well have a leader who officiates in many capacities at once. But the recent death of a Maldivian politician, descended from a long line of Sultans, reminds us that one man at least in modern times has been all in all to his people.

Amin Didi the late lamented was, in his heyday, President of the Maldive Republic, Chief Minister, Minister of Home and Foreign Affairs, for Education, Finance, Commerce and Public Safety, President of the Civilization Club and the Poetry Club, principal of a boys' college, Commander of the Army, head of the trading corporation and captain and centre-forward of the football team—all at once! *B. S.*

Advances in Seismic Exploration

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

THE world's oil industry spent over $300m. on seismic exploration in 1952, the last year for which the statistical data are available. About 950 seismic crews were employed, of which 90 per cent were in the United States and Canada. Since the "easy" regions for seismic exploration have long ago been explored, a good percentage of this work was done in areas where seismic reflections are difficult to obtain. When a seismic crew returns to base with no workable records, something like $1,000 has gone to waste. It is quite possible that from $30m. to $50m. were lost in 1952 on seismic exploration in areas where the ground "would not talk." The "talking" is usually a conversation between the strata and a 25 kilogram plug of gelignite placed on the bottom of a shaft usually chiselled to a depth of 60 metres and detonated electrically. Instruments record the reactions to the explosions at varying depths.

Some progress towards a solution of this problem was made in 1953. The new methods devised are, however, more costly: instead of one explosion, several must be used, and instead of one recording instrument, 10 or more are required. These methods have been further developed and applied by the geophysicists of the Weizmann Institute of Science at Rehovot, with the result that certain areas in Israel (Kurdani, Huleikat), which were "non-communicative" in 1951, were successfully explored and their underground structure mapped.

Explosion Problems

In order to improve the interpretation of seismic records, the oil industry has been carrying out fundamental research in the problems of propagation of explosive sound in stratified media. This research was both of an experimental and theoretical nature.

In the theoretical attack, advantage was taken in recent years of the availability of electronic computing machines, which hitherto were of too formidable a complexity. In the experimental attack, one would like to study the nature of propagation of explosive sound in a well-defined geologic column. Unfortunately, the geological formations, as one finds them in nature, are not sufficiently defined to allow the study of isolated factors.

For this reason, an effort was made to reduce the scale of the experiments so as to be able to carry them out inside the laboratory. In these "model" experiments, the ground is built up of a series of slabs of rock or other materials whose physical properties are known. The explosion is simulated by an electric spark, and the ensuing vibration of the ground is recorded by small electronic devices.

Whereas in the seismic experiment in the field, the recording instruments are spread out over a span of about a quarter of a mile, in the laboratory they are only a few feet from each other. The reduction in size has to be made up by a corresponding increase in the pitch of sound: while in the field the sound is in the audible region, in the model experiments it has to be in the ultrasonic range.

Important Results Gained

After several years of preliminary experimentation with seismic research in the research laboratories of several oil companies, some important results have begun to show up.

This subject formed the central topic at the meeting of the Society of Exploration Geophysicists held at the Institute of Geophysics in Los Angeles in November 1953. Results of model experiments were reported by the Carter Oil Company, the Shell Development Company, the California Research Corporation, the Magnolia Petroleum Company and the Stanolind Oil and Gas Company.

The method of these experiments is to compare the measured vibration of the ground with what would be expected theoretically for the model under experimentation. Unfortunately, the theory of the vibration of the ground caused by an explosion is so complicated mathematically, that the experiments had to be limited to those few simple cases where the mathematics was worked out. The results proved to be quite satisfactory and helped to throw light on the "language" of seismic records.

"Shooting" Under Water

Some particularly interesting results were achieved by the Stanolind group in their model experiments on shooting in water-covered areas. This problem has grown in economic importance in the post-war period, as a result of the exploration for oil under the sea. The theory of under-water explosions was worked out by Professor C. L. Pekeris of the Weizmann Institute of Science. The model experiments verified his theory in nearly every detail. Following the methods developed by Professor Pekeris, the mathematicians of the Stanolind Oil and Gas Co. computed what the vibration of the ground should look like and compared it with the vibration measured in the model experiments. The agreement was excellent.

As a result of these experiments, the origin and meaning of certain features appearing in seismic records of underwater shooting are now understood.

The model experiments will form a powerful tool in our understanding of the recorded seismic vibrations, provided of course that the mathematicians will be able to keep up with the experimenters. Great hopes are being pinned now on the help that can be obtained in the mathematical task from electronic computers. Although the results of Prof. Pekeris' theory were attained by purely analytical methods, it is hoped that the more complicated cases will yield to straightforward numerical analysis by electronic computing devices.

A rig from the Weizmann Institute of Science drills a deep shaft in which a gelignite charge is planted. The effect of the explosion on the surrounding strata is recorded and gives a clue to its composition.

Photo by Schleissner

Billion Dollar Race:

Sweet Water from Sea

By a Special Correspondent

THE United States Government has announced that it is willing to pay up to a billion dollars in royalties to any person who invents a workable system for making sea water sweet. With the best brains working on the problem for the past 200 years, and with every sort of energy, including atomic, now available, it seems incredible that such a system has not yet been developed, but this is precisely the case.

The United States Navy said last week that it operates three types of machinery for making sweet water out of sea water, but that it is still willing to invest millions of dollars in any system which promises to do the work on a larger scale.

The U.S. Navy's three machines include a solar distillery, used by shipwrecked sailors to make drinking water with the help of sun. This gadget is now included in the equipment of every lifeboat of the U.S. Navy, but its disadvantages are that it needs sun, that a long time is required to produce even half a gallon of water and that it cannot operate on even a medium scale. It is a life-saver for sailors, but cannot be used commercially.

The second is the mechanical distillery, installed aboard ships to produce the water they require. This system is very costly and is used only in places where there is no sweet water whatsoever, e.g. on some small islands in the Pacific. It can produce sweet water in medium quantities, enough for a few hundred men and the ship herself, but is so costly that whenever sweet water is available within a hundred-mile radius, it is cheaper to bring it in by tanker every day than to operate the machinery.

Electric System

The third system is the electrical distillery which has now been installed aboard the first atomic submarine in the world, the U.S.S. Nautilus, launched on January 21. Since atomic propulsion produces virtually unlimited quantities of electrical energy, it has been found feasible to install a new gadget the size of an ordinary home-freezer, which distils sea water at the rate of 25 gallons per hour — more than enough for the submarine's 83 officers and men, as well as for her atomic engines.

But this system is not practicable on a large scale, for hundreds of atomic engines would be needed to irrigate even a small stretch of arid coast, or to supply drinking water for a division of troops, and a country with hundreds of atomic engines at its disposal will hardly need to worry about such details as divisions of troops or stretches of desert.

However, the U.S. Navy is now working on an improbable-sounding system to capture energy from the sea, to be used as a source of power for large scale water distillation.

The basic idea is that energy released by the dynamic waters within the sea is so vast, that all mankind's power requirements, and not only for distilled water, could be met if only a fraction of this energy were harnessing the tremendous energy released by the waves themselves, but this source is both irregular and unreliable and scientists say there is no future for experiments along this line. What is much more promising, however, is the harnessing of energy produced by the rise and fall of tides. Scientists maintain that only a very small part of this can be harnessed, and only at a limited number of appropriate natural sites. According to the big brains of the U.S. Navy Research, the captured power will be more than enough for large scale distillation of water.

Parallel with this method, American scientists, spurred on by the promised billion dollars in royalties, are feverishly working on a new method to harness the sea's thermal energies i.e. those produced by the different water temperatures at various depths. This possibility is based on the fact that when warm streams from the Equator and cold streams from the Arctic and Antarctic meet in mid-ocean, the waters do not mix, but for a long time remain superimposed in layers. These differences in temperatures will be utilized in working thermal motors which will operate distilleries producing billions of gallons of sweet water and which will also work the pumps and irrigation systems.

ZIM
ISRAEL NAVIGATION CO LTD
HAIFA—GENOA—MARSEILLES
s/s NEGBA
will sail on Thursday, Feb. 4, 1954
Embarkation from 9-11 a.m.
HAIFA—LIMASSOL—MARSEILLES
s/s ARTSA
will sail on Monday, Feb. 8, 1954
Embarkation from 1 to 3 p.m.
Special Bus-Service from Tel Aviv to Haifa Port on day of sailing.
For particulars please apply to your travel agency or to our branches in Haifa, Tel Aviv, Jerusalem.
SHOHAM
MARITIME SERVICES LTD

KEEPING POSTED

A MAN we know in Haifa recently woke up to a fact that has been tickling large numbers of citizens for some time: a letter to someone a block away cost 60 pruta while the rate for an aerogramme to London amounted to only 55 pruta. Consequently he began dispatching all his local mail by airletter and, what is more, it was delivered. His delight at this novel way of saving on postage was rather shortlived, for today the rates for overseas mail go up by an average of one third. Nevertheless, our friend confided to us, he is quite sure that the local tariff will leapfrog again before long and he will be able to resume his system, and if detected, send all his mail via London.

THE Ministry of Communications might look into the Israel Railways's newly issued

timetable booklet, which right on page 1 makes some extravagant claims about what time trains leave Haifa, to wit, 07.30. We read on as follows:

Athlit —	07.30
Zikhron-Yaakov —	07.30
Benyamina —	07.30
Hadera West —	07.30
Kfar Vitkin —	07.30
Natanya —	07.30
Tel Aviv North —	07.30

until we finally arrive at Jerusalem... departure from Haifa... yes... 07.30. By this time there remains even for the more slow-witted not the slightest doubt "that the first train leaving Haifa for Jerusalem does so at 07.30". Should we however like to know when the train leaves one of the stations between these two towns, if you wish to go to Athlit, Nve Yam, Tantura, Zikhron, Benyamina, Lod, Ramle or Har Tuv, you will find this information on pages as ingeniously revised as No. 1. However, should you wish to go to any place south of Kfar Vitkin and north of Lod, no such information is forthcoming. This new revised time-table should make good reading and an adequate source of information about a new line between the town of Chelm and a certain market-place made famous by [illegible]

FOR over four years, a bookkeeping clerk we shall identify as N.N has been arranging reservations over the telephone with a Mr. Sz... a shipping agent. Although their respective offices are only a few minutes apart, the pair had managed to send hundreds of happy tourists and a few not so happy emigrants on their way without ever meeting. N. recently took his wife to the cinema but was disappointed to find it booked out. About to leave, he was accosted by a man offering him a brace of tickets, and at the official price. The gratified N. was about to accept them when he discovered he was without small change. Never mind, said the other, you look a decent sort, you can send the money to me at the... shipping office, my name is Sz... "Really?" exclaimed the clerk, "allow me to introduce myself, my name is N.N."

•

WHILE the above seems to show that the man is more important than the name, the following reminds us of the bard's remark that a rose by any other name etc... anyway, a woman went looking for a certain Mr. Vered in a certain street, and knowing that he had

recently acquired the name and that it was Hebrew for rose, she expected to find a name on the door with some sort of connection with flowers. But it was dark and she could find neither light switch nor letter box and went from door to door in the block of flats. The first was indeed occupied by a Mr. Rosenthal. The next floor disclosed a Rosenthaler and the third Rosenfeld. She finally knocked at his door and was informed that Mr. Vered lived on the next floor. She had never expected, she writes, to find a house of Roses from top to bottom!

•

THE Mayor of Tiberias paid a visit to a Tiberias shop the other day, bought up the available supply of pig meat for IL.10 (must have been near closing time) and burnt it in the presence of witnesses. Two days later the Tiberias Municipal Council passed a gesture of solidarity with the Mayor and voted to reimburse him the IL.10. A sequel to the episode came at question time in the Knesset last week when Mr. S. Hillel (Mapai) asked the Internal Affairs Committee whether, in view of the fact that the Tiberias budget is covered in part by the Ministry of Finance, the Municipal decision did not involve the improper use of public funds and was not the Mayor's demonstration a wilful act of property destruction in violation of the ethical laws of the community? A rose by any other name...

•

WHILE no one in our office except the circulation manager has anything in particular to say about the current English instruction controversy, we offer the following, gleaned from the copy book of a secondary school pupil in Tel Aviv:

"I keep my dresses in my coffin" (1778)

Today's contributors include: Rav Soreq Y.F.; N.N. and E. Traubner of Tel Aviv; and M. Klammy of Jerusalem.

THE JEWISH AGENCY FOR PALESTINE
ABSORPTION DEPARTMENT — "NEVE AVOT" HOME FOR THE AGED — PARDESS HANNA
Exhibition and Bazaar
for the sale of items manufactured by the residents of the above institute in their occupational workshops, will open at the Jewish Agency Building, 49 Rehov Aliya, Tel Aviv, Pavilion No. 2, on February 3, 1954 and will remain open till February 9, 1954, between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. daily, and till 12 noon on Fridays.
Articles of highest quality—the work of elderly people
Come and be Convinced

Das Beste
aus Reader's Digest
January 1954 Issue
Now available at all Newsstands
Price: 340 Pruta
Sole Distributor:
PALES PRESS COMPANY LIMITED

Up with the lark ?

READING THE NEWSPAPER before the working day begins is a habit well worth cultivating. All over the world, people who take the news seriously want to be "on top" of important world events before they go to work.

Even the earliest riser can have The Jerusalem Post delivered in time to read it over breakfast. And it's so simple. Just call in tomorrow at your Newsagent's. He will be pleased to tell you how to arrange home delivery.

BE UP-TO-DATE IN THE MORNING!

ADDRESSES OF THE JERUSALEM POST :—
Jerusalem: 9 Hahavatzelet Street, Tel. 4232/4
Tel Aviv : 28 Nahlat Binyamin Street, Tel. 4231/2
Haifa: Khayat Street, Tel. 4594.